

SECOND SALES DAY ATTRACTED VERY FEW

Saturday, July 23, was the Second Sales Day for Sikeston under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. The day was all that could be wished for, but the visitors were few, caused, no doubt, by the shortage of cash that was required to secure the bargain prices.

Prof. Honey's sweet music was one of the entertaining features of the day and it spread over the bread of blues as real honey over hot biscuit as these present, for the time, forgot their other troubles and enjoyed the music to the limit. The acrobat who performed on the trapeze was another entertainer who earned his money and pleased those who witnessed his acts.

The real climax was the drawing contest where you spent nothing and forty-two people were made happy. These gifts were donated by the merchants and business men of the city and were all useful. Following is the list of winners and the presents:

1. J. R. Sullivan, silk georgette waist, given by Miss Martha Martin.
2. Raymond Pierce, Garden Court Toilet set, by Eagle Drug Store.
3. Kathleen Marshall, Case of P. & G. White Naphtha Soap, by Cash Grocery.

4. Mrs. Wm. Graham, box of cigars, by Hardy's Lunch Room.

5. Paul Gentles, 30x3 casing, by Parish Motor Co.

6. Hazel Weakly, gallon Baverstone Paint, by Young's Lumber Yard.

7. Chas. Scott, set aluminum ware, by Sikeston Hardware Co.

8. Mrs. P. H. Buchholtz, pair Bostonian or Queen Quality shoes, by Citizens Store Co.

9. J. E. Dover, three year subscription to The Sikeston Standard.

10. Mattie Boardman, 30x3 1/2 inner tube, by Overland Auto Sales Co.

11. Opal Calvin, 10-lb roast beef, by Walpole Meat Market.

12. C. C. Buchanan, side of breakfast bacon, by Sellards' Meat Market.

13. W. H. Thomas, 2 bushels cow peas, by Sikes-McMullin Grain Co.

14. Etta Wilson, spring wagon seat, by Russell-Whitener Imp. Co.

15. W. A. Goodpasture, Stewart V-ray spotlight, by L. C. Erdmann.

16. Mrs. Ira Shuffitt, pictures, by McShooler.

17. Mrs. Mollie Keith, pair Walk-Over shoes, by Buckner-Ragsdale Co.

18. Howard VanBrush, large size cake, by Schorle Bros. Bakery.

19. Will Powell, graphophone, by Pinnel Store Co.

20. Mrs. Mary Carter, ladies glazed kid shoes, by Sikeston Merc. Co.

21. Miss Etta Wilson, two cartons Mazda lamps, by Sikeston Electric Supply Co.

22. Ed Bacher, case each coca-cola and whistle, by Coco-Cola Bot. Wks.

23. Howard Sparks, ladies all-linen or silk middle suit, by Stubbs Co. Co.

24. Mrs. Ed Smith, ten drinks at Heissler's & Carr's.

25. Frank Smith, 30x3 1/2 inner tube, by Schneider Tire Doctor.

26. Ruby Evans, pair tennis shoes, by Harry Lampert.

27. Miss Etta Wilson, box of cigars, by The Arcade.

28. Amy Cox, box of stationery, by The Bijou.

29. Raymond Pierce, 100 pounds of sugar, by Farmers Supply Co.

30. Melvin Bowman, three year subscription to Sikeston Herald.

31. Harry Dover, set of aluminum ware, by Dempster Furniture Co.

32. Mrs. Leonard McMullin, ton of coal, by Energy Coal Co.

33. Raymond Pierce, Goodyear tire saving kit, by Greer-Stubbs Motor Co.

34. Cecil Jones, 32x3 1/2 rebuilt casing, by Hilleman Tire Co.

35. Helen Thomas, family pass for First National Week, The Doris.

Malone Theatre

Wednesday Evening, July 27th

She Played With the Law

Her alluring beauty and keen wit easily frustrated the guardians of society but at last the only law she could not conquer enmeshed her in its coils and in her defeat "The Angel" found her greatest victory.

Jewel Carmen

in

"The Silver Lining"

9c and 18c plus war tax.

36. Mrs. E. S. Childs, season ticket to Natatorium, by John Chaney.

37. George White, pair ladies silk hose, by Farmers D. G. & Co. Co.

38. Mrs. L. C. Erdmann, sack seed wheat, by Cook Grain Co.

39. Mrs. Lewis Ferrell, case Libby's fancy apricots, by McKnight-Keaton Grocery Co.

40. Mrs. J. A. Barber, crepe kimono, by I. Becker.

41. Luther Hicks, can coffee with 10-lb milk bucket, by H. & H. Grocery.

42. Gertrude Hoffman, 4 large cans tobacco and pipes, by Dudley's Place.

It is uncertain whether or not another Sales Day will be held this season for the reason: The scarcity of money with the buying public. Not nearly so many people attended the Second Sales Day as did the first one, neither was business so good with the merchants, though the inducements were greater.

The Chamber of Commerce is to be commended for their efforts to bring more business to Sikeston and they will not be found wanting when a more opportune time arrives for another sales day.

MORE FORGED CHECKS PASSED IN SIKESTON

At least two checks forged on the Wm. Day Transfer Co. have turned up and more may be discovered. The Arcade cashed a check for \$4 made out to Howard Smith and drawn on the Peoples Bank of Sikeston. The Day Transfer Co. keep no account with the Peoples Bank and the check was sent to the Bank of Sikeston where the Transfer Company has an account.

Wm. Day was notified of the suspicious check and after seeing same pronounced it a forgery. A restaurant near the Frisco Station cashed a check drawn to the same Howard Smith for a few dollars but the check was not dated and for that reason was taken to Day that he might complete the check when he pronounced it a forgery. Perhaps other checks are out that may turn up in the next few days.

The officers are quite certain who the parties are and expect to have them under arrest within a short time.

Times are too hard and money too scarce for loafing forgers to check on other people's account and get away with it. It is to be hoped they will be promptly caught and as promptly sent to the penitentiary.

Fire Deserts Building and Contents.

Friday night about 10:00 o'clock the fire alarm sounded for a fire on Matthews Avenue, but some way or other the truck was misdirected and went to the opposite side of the city from the fire. The fire started under some mattresses that were stored in a room of the house. The house was the property of Ed Fuchs and occupied by a Mr. Tucker and family. The family had a narrow escape from death by fire as they were so nearly suffocated that neighbors had to assist from the burning building. The fire is supposed to have started from matches carried under the mattresses by mice.

Mr. Fuchs had \$1200 insurance on the house while there was \$600 on the furniture.

Miss Solomon, of Kennett, is with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, for an extended visit.

Ware Parham and Norvall Welsh, who have been visiting the Henry Welsh family returned to Festus Monday night.

Nathaniel Folkerson, father of Mrs. Warner, died at the home of his daughter on Matthews Avenue, Friday, at the age of 91 years. The remains were shipped Saturday afternoon to Cuba, Ill., for burial.

North Carolina and Missouri had the same and the largest State yield of cotton lint per acre in 1920, or 275 pounds, while the average for the cotton States was 178.4 pounds, or 37 per cent of the lint in a 500-pound bale, gross weight. The largest yield was 58 per cent of a bale.

Miss Mary Gill returned home Sunday afternoon from a visit with her father at Marion, Ill.

The following young people leave this morning for Wahite to camp for a week, chaperoned by Mrs. W. S. Smith: A. J. Moore Jr., Ned Tanner, Foster Bruton, Carl Gilbert, Helen Welsh, Catherine Yount, Mildred Bowman, Melvin Bowman, Mary Blanton, Mary Ethel Prow, Dorothy Miller, Ella Helen Smith, Laura Joe Smith, Catherine Blanton, Addie Dover and Louis Emory Baker expect to join the campers Wednesday evening to spend the night.

Bijou On a Cash Basis After August 1st

On account of the slowness of collections for the past three months we have decided to do away with the unsatisfactory charge account system and make everything cash. We feel that by so doing we will not work a hardship upon any of our customers, but that they will be better satisfied in the long run.

We have several accounts on our books which we wish to have settled by the first of August. If you have an account with us, kindly call as soon as possible and settle same.

PATE & BROWN.

7000 Acres Melons Signed

The annual meeting of the Southeast Missouri Melon Growers' Association was held in the upper territory Friday at Sikeston and in the lower territory at Kennett Saturday, July 16th. The 25 locals represent nearly 400 members who have signed contracts to deliver all of their marketable melons, which are being grown on the 7000 acres, to the Association for sale. It appears now that the Association will handle practically all of the melons of the district and the few remaining growers outside of the Association will very likely come in before the first cars begin to move. The locals have decided to make the date of the movement of the first car the last day on which they will accept members.

The upper territory consisting of the counties of Butler, Scott, Mississippi, and New Madrid have 221 members and 4000 acres under contract. Dunklin County has the balance of the members and acres.

Manager W. W. Wooden complimented the County Agents and Farm Bureaus by stating that it was very easy to see the effect of this extension forces in securing memberships. He stated that the reason the lower territory was moving slower in the campaign for members was chiefly due to the absence of a County Agent in Dunklin County to guide the campaign. This week meetings will be held at each local at which the details of the sales plans, grading and other things of interest will be discussed by the membership. The sales plan as explained by sales manager C. B. Michelson is as follows: Through him contracts have been made with the brokers of the American Fruit Growers Exchange in 138 of the best markets in the Middle West. These brokers will handle "Honey Heart" melons exclusively. The policy of the Association will be to sell all melons to track buyers for cash as long as they will pay market price, after which the cars will be rolled to the exclusive broker.

The State Bureau of Markets co-operating with the Federal Service is working out a plan to assist the growers in grading and inspecting work and it is hoped that it would be possible for each local manager to be a deputy State Inspector so that when the car has been graded the state seal of inspection can be placed thereon which will mean much in the sale of melons. Each local manager will be bonded to insure the proper handling of funds entrusted to him.

R. R. Sullivan of Morley was re-elected a member of the Board of Directors the other members being: Dr. Paul Baldwin, E. E. Smith, Dr. H. A. McHany and S. A. Presson.

The commission charge for handling the cars will be ascertained on the percentage basis with a minimum of \$15 per car and a maximum of \$35 depending upon the price at which the car sells. It is expected that this will cost less than the method used last year. Any balance left at the end of the season will be returned to the growers.

Manager Wooden states that there are now only three small shipping points in Southeast Missouri which are as yet unorganized. General offices will be opened at Kennett with branch office at Sikeston, which later will be revised with the main office at Sikeston and a branch office at Kennett as the loadings decrease in the lower territory and increase in the upper. Offices are being opened this week at Kennett, where the movement is expected to begin about July 25. A good general rain over the territory would greatly increase the probable number of cars to be shipped which at the present time is expected to exceed 3000.

In each county having county agents these men will be on the job during the loading season to assist the melon growers in grading, weighing and other details of the work.

President Harding is to be complimented for placing Charles Dawes in charge of the Director of Budget office. Dawes says he can save the country \$900,000,000 by stopping departmental leaks in Washington. He is the "Hell, Maria", man who cursed Congress so roundly last year for its persistent efforts to bring American operations in France into disrepute by continually investigating everybody connected with the task of whipping the Germans. Although a Republican, Dawes asserted that the war had been magnificently managed and that the fighting would have continued much longer except for the policy adopted by the administration in America. If he can force economy in the departments at Washington as suddenly as he has cursed Congress into being ashamed of itself he will be entitled to further gratitude from his country.—Paris Appeal.

Miss Antonette Crossman of Morehouse and Miss Hyacinth Sheppard of Sikeston, left Saturday morning for Cleveland, Ohio, where they will be the guests of Miss Lucille Lemley for ten days. They expect to make excursions into Canada, to Niagara Falls, and other points of interest in the Northeast.

THE ILLMO EDITOR HAS SUDDENLY CHANGED TUNES

Scott County now has seventy-five miles of completed roads, with about the same number yet to be finished.

We traveled over some of the completed roads last Sunday and they are certainly a credit to the county.

The graveling of the Mannings landing road will be completed in two weeks and then there will be a first class road from Illmo to the river which should prove a big saving in freight rates as goods can then be shipped by boats to the landing and then trucked to this city.

Work is progressing nicely on the new road from Anzell to Chaffee.

Taken as a whole the road building plan of the county court is progressing nicely and they are getting results. The Jimplicute was skeptical in regard to this road building and did not hesitate to say so on many occasions, believing then and still believe, that with the exception of the presiding judge, the former county court knew about as much about road building as Jack Dempsey did of serving his country when his services were needed.

We take off our hat to the present court and the engineer in charge of the road building program.—Illmo Jimplicute.

Mrs. J. A. Hess, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. Mollie Long and Miss Helen Hess motored to Morehouse Friday afternoon and spent the evening with Mrs. Mollie Hunter.

The editor of The Standard would have been happy to have been present at the Democratic gathering Saturday evening had he been given a tip that the clans were to have met.

Raymond Pierce of Sikeston was unfortunate enough to have his crippled arm broken in another place the last of the week when he caught his heel on the fender of a car and tripped with the foregoing result.

The burial of Sam Chapman an employee of the Bimel-Ashcroft Manufacturing Co., of Morehouse, who died here in the St. Francis hospital early yesterday morning from injuries received while at work will be held either today or tomorrow at Sikeston. Chapman, it is said, was attempting to put a belt on a moving pulley when the canvas gloves which he was wearing caught in the wheel. Mr. Chapman leaves to mourn his death four children, Ralph, 25, of St. Louis, John, 13, and Charles, 10, both of Morehouse, one daughter, Mrs. Opal Craig, whose home is also at Morehouse.—Cape Girardeau Sun.

DUROC PIG CLUB MADE HAPPY BOYS

The Chamber of Commerce backed the Pig Club for the boys of Sikeston and vicinity and the first lot were placed Saturday afternoon. This lot consisted of 20 bred gilts and were Durocs. Col. W. H. Sikes was the committeeman who superintended this part of the club and he selected a magnificent lot of animals to go into the first placing. Those who received Duroc gilts were: Herman Mosier, Homer Decker Jr., Gilbert Hopper, Dwight Engle, Everett Greer, Frank Cantrell, Auburn Nations, Roy H. Bennett, Fred Woods, John Hunter Hutchins, Ben Sells Jr., Emory Taylor, Marvin Hamby, Ernest Inman, Bill Smith Jr., Earl Johnson, Bill Sikes Baker, Gregory Witt, Murray Stitz.

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AT SKESTON, MISSOURI.Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston,
Scott County, Missouri, as second-
class mail matter, according to act
of Congress.THE STANDARD is the only paper in
Scott County that is published
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-
ers wanting the news while it is
news, and for advertisers desiring
quick results, it is the best medium.The Standard announces the follow-
ing new rates for advertising effective
August 1, 1920:Display advertising, per single column
inch, net25c
Reading notices per line10c
Financial statements for banks, \$4.00
Probate notices, minimum\$5.00The Standard announces the follow-
ing new rates for subscription effec-
tive September 1, 1920:Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott
and adjoining counties\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in
United States\$2.50
No renewal allowed at present rate
for longer than one year.Foreign Advertising Representative
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATIONThe Charleston Enterprise-Courier
announces a reduction in their sub-
scription rates, and gives their reason:
Hard Times. Might not the real reason
be: The Charleston Times!Col. Chas. L. Woods, owner of the
Rolla, Mo., Herald, was a caller at
The Standard office Thursday after-
noon. Though a Democrat, he is still
connected with the oil inspection of
the State.Cape Girardeau has a picture show
for negroes. Skeston will raise no
objection if her surplus of negroes
would move to that city where they
have everything for their entertain-
ment. At that, The Standard has
nothing against the Cape.Pearl White, motion picture actress,
has been granted a divorce from Wal-
lace McCutcheon by the superior
court at Providence, R. I., on the
ground of neglect to provide. The fi-
nal decree will be entered in 6 months.
No alimony was provided. Guess the
Pretty Pearl will have no trouble to
find another victim.Fashion Note: Of course a girl will
not believe this, but she can get a
beautiful complexion by steaming her
face over a washtub; wringing out
the clothes makes the arms plump;
hanging them out on the line increases
the bust measurement, and carrying
them to and from the yard makes the
waist line smaller and the limbs more
shapely. This is worth trying.George Horace Lorimer, editor of
The Saturday Evening Post, frequent-
ly says some mighty good things, and
the following is one of them: "Men do
not work because they are virtuous,
but they are virtuous because they
work. The vices man has invented
are the vices of idleness. Man is most
respectable while sweating for his
bread—not because sweating is a vir-
tue but because idleness gets him into
mischief. Remove the necessity that
now drives men to labor and within a
year the devil could annex the world
without the formality of a plebiscite."A statue of Daniel Webster is
soon to be unveiled in Athens, Greece.

American Jews

We enjoy, in America exactly the
spiritual liberty, the financial suc-
cess, and the social position which
we have earned. Any Jew in Amer-
ica who wishes to be a saint of Zion
has only to practice the cultivation of
his spiritual gifts—there is none to
hinder him. Any Jew in America who
seeks material reward has only to
cultivate the powers of his mind and
character—there are no barriers be-
tween him and achievement. Any
Jew in America who yearns for so-
cial position has only to cultivate his
manners—there are no insurmount-
able discriminations here against true
gentlemen. The Jews of France have
found France to be their Zion. The
Jews of England have found England
to be their Zion. We Jews of Amer-
ica have found America to be our Zion.
Therefore, I refuse to allow myself to
be called a Zionist. I am an Ameri-
can. We in America refuse to set our-
selves apart in a voluntary ghetto for
the sake of old traditional obser-
vances. I have often used a figure of
speech—it was brought to my mind
by a meeting with rugmakers in Tur-
key—as follows: The Jew has been
content in most lands, and down the
ages, to be the fringe of the carpet,
the loose end over which every foot
has stumbled, where every heel has
left its injuring impression on the
disconnected individual strands. What
the Jew should do is, to become a
part of the pattern of the carpet it-
self; weave himself into the very
warp and woof of the main fabric of
humanity; and gain the strength
which comes from a co-ordinated and
orderly relation to the other strands
of human society. His peculiar beau-
ties (his peculiar talents), which in
the fringe are soiled and hidden, take
on new value when they become part
of the main carpet; and they find
their glory in lending to the pattern a
unique splendor and a special lustre.
—Henry Morgenthau in World's
Work.

An entirely new idea in typewriter
construction is embodied in the inven-
tion of an attorney who was former-
ly a court reporter. Like a linotype
machine, the new instrument sets up
a whole line of type before printing.
The impression is made directly from
the inked type, without a ribbon, and
the operation is practically silent. For
a 55-letter line, there are 55 perpen-
dicular rows of keys, each containing
40 characters, making a keyboard
24x10 inches. The operator works
from left to right, depressing one
key in each column about 1-8 inch,
and sometimes setting whole words
with one motion. The line finished,
a lever is pulled, which inks the
type and presses the platen and pa-
per against it, the lever's return re-
storing all parts to neutral.

About the thinnest thing we have
seen lately is the proposition of the
State Fair management to give prizes
(?) for the best centennial editions
of the country newspapers in Mis-
souri. The scheme is to get all the
advertising for the State Fair free
from the country newspapers and
give all the paid advertising to the
metropolitan papers. All the country
papers who enter the contest (?)
have to give the State Fair a page of
advertising free of charge. It is a
strange thing that the country news-
paper is always the goat whenever
anything is wanted.—New London
Record.

The Standard \$2.00 per year.



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To seal in the
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WILL NOT DEAL WITH
LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Washington, July 22.—Complaints
from the league of nations, that the
United States Government ignores its
communications are "very surprising"
to Washington officials. The explana-
tion of the administration officials is
about as follows:

All communications emanating
from the league on international sub-
jects have been promptly answered by
this government, but, instead of re-
sponding to the league as the instru-
ment of member nations, the United
States has addressed itself to the
member nations individually.

This government not being a mem-
ber of the league of nations, it is
explained, "is not in a position to ne-
gotiate directly with the league of-
ficials and for that reason takes af-
fairs up directly with the powers re-
presented in the league."

Even loyal Republicans are begin-
ning to show some disgust with this
attitude. They are asking why the
United States "is not in a position to
negotiate directly with the league of-
ficials." They cannot understand why
America should refuse to deal with
the league, even though she is not a
member.

Democrats, on the other hand, say
that they know the reason very well.
They declare that it is the desire of
the administration that the league die
as quickly as possible, and that it is
believed a course of "absent treat-
ment" may expedite the death. In or-
der to help dispose of the league,
which is beginning to show signs of
too much permanence, the Democrats
say the administration is "willing to
exhibit the amazing 'littleness' of at-
tempting to snub a concert of nations
which is the official representative of
the nations of the world with the ex-
ception of Germany, Russia and the
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Missouri, Mo.

Phillips the Fair of France, in 1294,
forced economy on his people by
law.

Akbar and His Four Religions

Akbar, greatest of the Moguls, to
whom the British succeeded as rulers
of India, was a great conqueror,
wise ruler, and good man. He bore
the title Kaisar-i-Hind that the En-
glish king bears today, as ruler of In-
dia.

H. G. Wells says of Akbar, "His
distinctive quality was his openness
of mind." Mr. McKay's picture,
showing the great Asiatic ruler, sit-
ting in his council hall, perched on
the top of a stone column, with a
Christian, a Jew, a Mohammedan and
a Hindu at the four corners, to ad-
vise him, proves that his mind was
open indeed.

The other day the Countess Gicy-
zka, granddaughter of Joseph Medill
of Chicago, and one of many young
intelligent American women wasting
real talent on the social air, wrote a
story, casually mentioning the in-
cident in Akbar's life that is illustrat-
ed in this picture. She got it from a
speech by Paul M. Warburg, and
Mr. Warburg kindly furnished a pho-
tograph taken in the Indian jungle,
from which Mr. McKay made this
cartoon.

Mr. Warburg thus describes his
visit to the abandoned city and the
ruined palace in which the mighty
Akbar sat, when he called upon the
four religions to advise him.

"Between Agra and Delhi, sur-
rounded by the wild woods and jungle
of India, lies the deserted city of
Fatipur Sikri. It is twenty-eight
years ago that I entered its deep sil-
ence in the middle of the night, the
moon throwing her mysterious light
upon the sleeping walls and towers,
which seemed to dream of the splen-
dors and glories of centuries gone
by.

"The memory of that picture re-
mained deeply engraved upon my
mind.

"In brown granite, that the rough
hand of time had not been able to
touch, there stood before me, practi-
cally intact, the residence of King
Akbar.

"There were his palaces, his treas-
ury and the buildings of other heads
of departments, the house of worship
and the strange little hall, shaped like
a lantern, where, in the middle on a
high pillar, presided the King, while
in each of the four corners, from
which narrow stone bridges led to the
column in the center, sat a represen-
tative of one of the four leading re-
ligions—a Hindu, a Mohammedan, a
Christian and a Jew.

"It was King Akbar's ambitious
plan to take the best out of all creeds
and to blend them into one great re-
ligion. He had wives of all these de-
nominations (and probably more),
whose individual houses still stand
with all their grace and charm."

Every man and woman, from the
poorest to the most powerful, could
learn something by studying the life
of Akbar, and thinking over this pic-
ture and its meaning.

It was Akbar who said, "Why
should I claim to guide men, before I
myself am guided?" So he studied
and consulted others, although he had
all the power in his own hand, he
knew that the only real power is
TRUTH, and sought to find it.

A powerful creature, was this Ak-
bar, whose royal father was a fugi-
tive, himself born and brought up in
the desert. For his amusement he
hunted the elephant, the wild horse
and the tiger. Once he rode two hun-
dred and twenty miles in a day thru
the heat of India, to persuade his
subordinate, the Rajah of Jodhpore
not to burn alive the widow of his de-
ceased son.

In battle he led the way. In victory
he was compassionate. When his
deadly enemy was brought before
him in chains, the chief minister
handed a sword to Akbar, then a
young man, that he might enjoy cut-
ting off his enemy's head. Akbar
would not touch him, so the minister
took back the sword and cut the
helpless man's head off with a blow,
proud of himself.

Nothing could be more interesting
than this picture of a great ruler, of
which a model may be seen in the
Indian Museum, at South Kensington
in London.

You may find a description of it on
Page 238 of "Picturesque India", pub-
lished by Routledge.

The Mussulman believed that the
Hindu religious teacher would be tor-
mented forever. The Hindu believed
that the other three, Jew, Christian
and Mohammedan, after death must
go through the bodies of inferior an-
imals to become purified. The Chris-
tian believed that all three of the
others would go to hell to burn fore-
ever, unless miraculously saved at the
last minute from their error.

The Jew thought the other three
very unimportant and wasted little
time on them. He was interested in
Akbar, and probably gave him good
advice. Like the Hindu, the Jew rep-
resented a race that had been think-
ing for many centuries.

Akbar, in the middle, consulted
them all, and believed NOT ONE OF
THEM. He was originally a Mussul-

man, follower of Mohammed. But the
was also a thinker, and found it hard
to believe that Mohammed had jump-
ed on the back of a white horse nam-
ed Alborak, gone up to heaven on
that horse, seen angels with fore-
heads more than fifty miles wide, and
received power from Allah, ruler of
the Universe, authorizing him, Mo-
hammed, to rule the world.

The childish stories, miracles and
especially the foolish heaven of Mo-
hammed, with beautiful young ladies
made of solid musk, wine with alco-
hol, but not intoxicating, a dozen or
more wives for each, and the earth-
ly wives left behind, all seemed im-
probable to Akbar. He studied and
consulted Jews, Christians, Hindus.
He finally made up for himself a
creed based on the belief of the great
Zoroaster. This home-made religion
was a pretty good one, with only one
good, no hell and no vengeance.
But it was too good for the people of
his time and it died when he died.
Primitive religions like primitive men
fall when they lack "pep".

Imitate the great Akbar, by keep-
ing your mind open to new thoughts,
new methods, and especially by mis-
trusting YOUR OWN wisdom.

Do not go as far as the great Ak-
bar, who had Jewish, Christian, Mo-
hammedan and Hindu wives, besides
other kinds.

That in our day would be too much
of a good thing, in the way of open
mindedness and one or more of the
ladies would be apt to come to break-
fast with her face scratched, the hus-
band also MORE scratched.

But keep in mind this picture of
one of the greatest and best rulers
the world has ever seen. He encour-
aged literature, established schools
for all, allowed persecution of none,
no matter what they might believe.

His question was, as he turned
North, Southeast, East and West,
"What do you think? Answer brief-
ly."

How much higher and wiser seems
this old man, the great ruler, ready
to hear all sides, as compared with
any one of the four that surround
him, each convinced that HE knew
it all.

Keep your MIND open, and you
keep the road to PROGRESS open.

Close your MIND, and everything
else closes.

MISS MARY GILL



The above photograph is that of
Miss Mary Gill of Skeston, Mo.,
printed in the St. Louis Globe-Demo-
crat recently as one of the beautiful
girls in the Globe-Democrat's \$7100
Cash Beauty Prize Contest for young
women.

Publication of the picture does not
indicate whether she is considered a
possible winner, nor is the opposite
true, as the winners will not be cho-
sen until after the close of the con-
test August 31. Photographs are
printed each day in the Daily and
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of the prettiest girls in the United
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four \$50 third prizes. The United
States has been divided into four
districts. After the twelve winners
have been selected, the most beauti-
ful of all will be presented with an
additional \$2500 capital cash prize.

Each edition of the Globe-Democrat
contains an official information blank
that must be filled in and pasted on
the back of the photograph in order
to officially enter it in the contest.
Full details of the contest also are
printed each day in the Globe-Demo-
crat.

At one spot near New Zealand the
ocean is more than six miles deep.

New Jersey's production of pota-
toes has nearly doubled in seven
years.

An Ohio scientist who has invented
an apparatus that projects the sound
waves on a screen, where they can
be accurately measured, estimates
that the human voice has about one
two-hundredth of a horse power.

M'VEY DECLINES PRESIDENCY
OF MISSOURI UNIVERSITY

Lexington, Ky., July 21.—Dr. F.
L. McVey, President of the Univer-
sity of Kentucky, announced last
night that he would remain at the
university. He had been offered the
presidency of Missouri University. It
is understood that he will not re-
ceive any increase in salary.

"If I did not believe that the State
will get behind the university at the
next Legislature for a great appro-
priation I should not have decided to
remain here," McVey said.

Now while it is dry, hot and dusty
it is well enough that we consider
and discuss ways and means of com-
bating the mud which will come later
in the season. Most all mud authori-
ties seem agreed that mud affects
the human feet more than any other
part of the body. Prof. Gape Allsop,
teacher of the Wild Rose school, in
discussing this matter a few days ago
said in giving many thoughts: "Mud
usually follows a rainy season, it af-
fects that part of the person known
as the feet. To get through a course
of mud with as little difficulty as
possible the person must put his or
her feet down as seldom as possible
to conform with good manners and
lift them from the ground very hur-
riedly before the mud has time to take
effect. On walking across deep mud
it is advisable to hold the breath." The
Wild Rose school teacher says he
could write a whole book on the sub-
ject of "Mud, Its Cause and Effect."
This book no doubt would be a valu-
able authority on mud, as Prof. All-
sop has encountered mud in all walks
of life. But what we started out to
say is that there is a vast difference in
mud and dust. The ladies can wipe
the dust from their shoes on their
hose—but mud—nay!

The English town of Aldershot has
a school for training steeplejacks.
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work, members of the team let down,
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ing."

They find it almost compulsory to
rest and relax—to refresh themselves
for renewed labors.

"But what of mothers," a contem-
porary writer asks, "mothers tied
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month to month—ought they not to
break training also? Relaxation now
and then would add years to their
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| 18766 | Just Keep a Thought for Me—Fox Trot | All Star Trio and Their Orchestra |
| | I Like It—All By Myself—Medley Fox Trot | All Star Trio and Their Orchestra |
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Our Foreign Trade

The country's merchandise exports during the fiscal year ending June 30 declined \$1,591,674,000 from the year before. Imports declined \$1,571,852,000. The total loss was \$3,163,526,000. This shrinkage within a year is greater than the whole foreign trade of the nation ever accounted to up to the year 1907. It is greater than the average total of exports and imports for the four years to 1911. If such a loss were applied to the trade of any one of the following years down to the outbreak of the World War it would not have left enough to have been worth recording. But more than a \$3,000,000,000 decline in the country's foreign trade for one year is evidently not enough to suit the Republican majority of Congress. They want a bigger showing of the kind than that. They are now trying to jam through the highest-rated tariff bill ever known to the United States, in the avowed purpose of smashing imports as much further down as possible, and they must have intelligence enough by this time to know that the effect upon exports will be correspondingly smashing. Is it a \$3,000,000,000 loss in the foreign trade for the last fiscal year and this which they seek? And 6,000,000 men put out of work in the same time instead of over 3,000,000 now idle from a year ago? Said Secretary Hoover to the National Shoe and Leather Exposition at Boston: "The hard times that knock at every cottage door came from Europe. No tariffs, no embargoes, no navies, no armies, can ever defend us from these inva-

sions. Our sole defense is the prosperity of our neighbors and our own commercial skill."

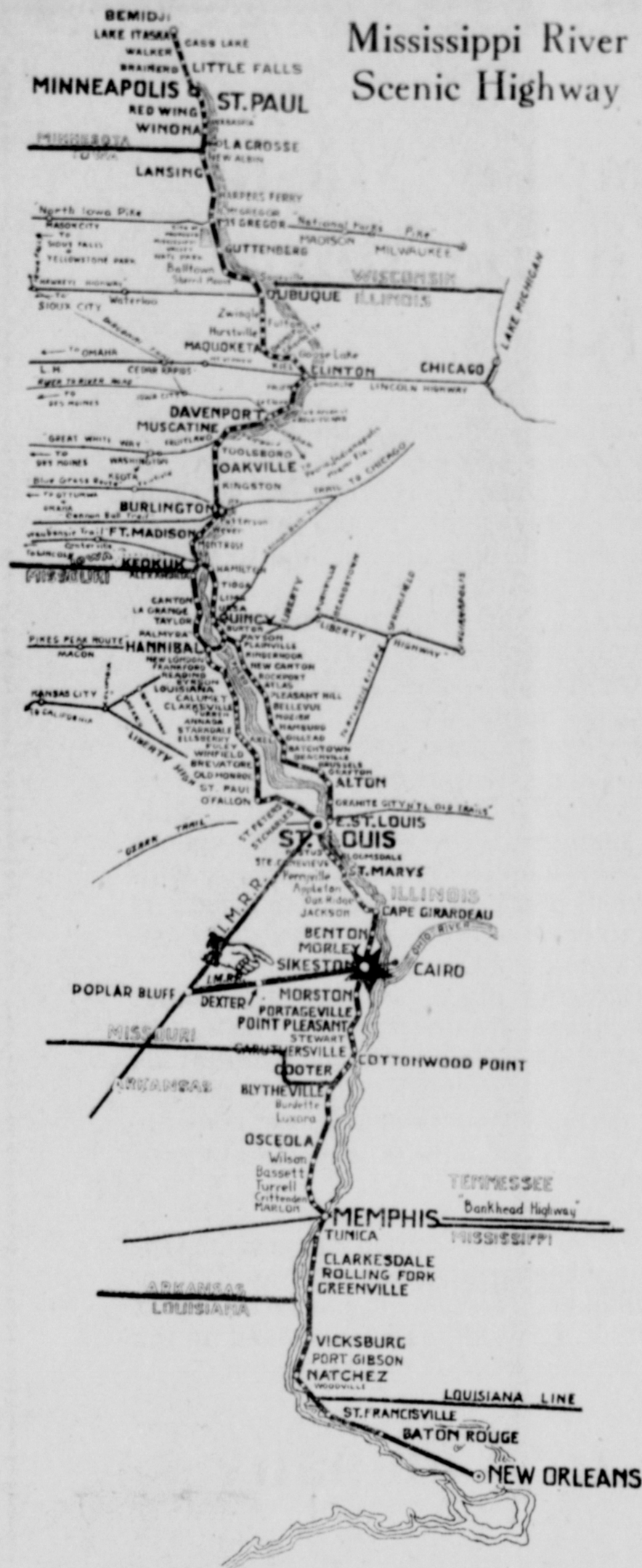
That is the plain truth of the matter. It is the obvious truth in the face of these foreign-trade figures. But how can such a measure of enlightenment at the administrative end of the Government be extended to its legislative end?—New York World.

Bookkeeper Falls Heir to Fortune.

"Upon the death of an uncle I inherited \$50,000. I gave up my position and intended enjoying myself when I was stricken with a severe case of stomach trouble and colic attacks. Two of these attacks made me lose consciousness. After treating with our best doctors with little benefit, I decided to try Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, and it helped me at once. I have been entirely well for past year." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.—Hess & Co. and druggists everywhere.

Washington Hocks says he hopes it will never be considered out of date, when a friend is leaving the earth, to accompany him as far as the graveyard.

Frisby Hancock is thinking about installing a corn-sheller in his home, to furnish noise while his children go barefooted.



Courtesy C. M. Smith Sons & Co.

Scout Car No. 1, a Buick touring car, of the Mississippi River Scenic Highway System, Port Arthur to Port Arthur Route, en route from Port Arthur and Houston, Texas, and New Orleans to Fort William, Port Arthur and Winnipeg, Canada, made an official stop in Sikeston Saturday. The car is piloted by Truman Pierson, of Minneapolis, Minn., general manager and founder of this great north and south highway project that means so much to the development of Southeast Missouri and the entire Mississippi Valley. Mr. Pierson last winter drove a car from Winnipeg to New Orleans, Houston, Galveston and Port Arthur, Texas, to prove that the scenic highway is a road that is ready for traffic. He did not cover that portion of the proposed route which has been tentatively located on the highway and extends from Cape Girardeau to Memphis via Sikeston, New Madrid and Blytheville, Ark.

While in Sikeston Mr. Pierson issued the following statement: "The Mississippi River Scenic Highway System and Port Arthur to Port Arthur route is the greatest agency for the development of this section of Southeast Missouri that can be named. I say this unreservedly and with the knowledge that generally speaking the work this organization has done and is doing has never been thoroughly understood. There are those whose names are familiar to all as community builders and broad visioned citizens who always have been loyal and energetic in their effort but the responsibility of making this route a success rests on the entire community and not on a few individuals. It is not fair to them or to this organization to place the burden on a few and eventually if this organization is to function in Southeast Missouri as it does elsewhere there will have to be a series of unit organizations all the way from St. Louis to the Arkansas line. By this is meant, not county units, but units in every city, town and village that wants on the highway and wants a share of the benefits and its responsibilities.

"Sikeston has much to gain from its connection with the Mississippi River Scenic Highway but it also has certain duties to discharge. This is an organization of business men, duly incorporated, administered on business like lines and is delivering the goods. In this locality, however, with all due

respect to everybody, it is still in the paper stage and must be taken out of that stage.

"What is meant by paper stage refers to the Mississippi River Scenic Highway System as an organization functioning under the by-laws as promulgated at Memphis and St. Louis and Burlington, Iowa, and Quincy, Ill. In no sense do we feel that this section has been lax in its effort for road improvement. On the contrary we know and do appreciate the efforts that have been put forth. Fine work has been done and under the able direction of Charles F. McMullin of Sikeston progress has certainly been made and in no sense are we criticizing anybody.

"The whole point of the matter is that there never has been any idea so far as authorized officials of this organization are concerned to take this route anywhere else than down thru Southeast Missouri and thru Sikeston, but we want Cape Girardeau, Sikeston, Caruthersville and all the other good towns interested to come forward and organize what can be truly said to be the greatest north and south automobile route.

"A fortune in motor vehicle traffic awaits our cities and towns able enough and aggressive enough to help us get our share of the traffic now flowing north and south over other routes. The golden harvest is reaped along the other great highways none of which are as scenic, none any better and many not as good so far as road conditions go. But what we must do is to tell the outside world what we have. We must use publicity to do this and organization. We must work together and against stiff opposition in certain quarters.

"Road improvement is necessary and is being made at a rapid rate but the mere building of the road is not enough. We must advertise the road and get traffic for it for traffic is what we built it for. We must get traffic for traffic means business, cash rolling into the usual channels of trade. The tourist so called is the forerunner to the settler, the investor and the manufacturer. It has been truly said that our great alluvial section needs nothing but people. Very well, here is the agency to get the people and now is the time to act."

The Scout Car left Saturday forenoon for Cape Girardeau and Canada.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

W. A. Shank and wife of New Madrid County to G. O. Jeffries of Dunklin County: Lot 4, block 1 and lot 4 block 2 including all buildings thereon, situated in the town of Tallapoosa, \$1 and other considerations.

W. J. Sneed to W. L. and Marie Denton, George Bullock and J. E. McCord of New Madrid County: All of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19 and the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19 all in twp 24, R. 15, New Madrid County. \$1 and exchange of property.

W. H. Stubblefield of Cape Girardeau County to Ernest Wauchope and wife of Pike County, Mo.: All of the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec. 34, twp 23, Range 13 and the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 and that part of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 south of the Cotton Belt R. R. right-of-way in Sec. 35, twp 23, Range 13, all in New Madrid County, containing 147.37 acres. \$1 and exchange of real estate.

William L. Denton and wife to W. J. Sneed and Charlotte Sneed his wife of New Madrid County: A parcel of ground adjoining the right-of-ways of San Francisco R. R. and Southwestern R. R. in the town of Lillbourn. \$800.

William L. Denton and wife to W. J. Sneed and Charlotte Sneed and wife of New Madrid County: Another parcel of ground adjoining the Frisco R. R. right-of-way and Southwestern R. R. right-of-way in the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 Sec. 35, twp 23, Range 13, New Madrid County. \$700.

W. L. Denton and wife to George and Belle Bullock the undivided 1/2 interest in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19, twp. 24, Range 15 and all the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19, twp. 24, Range 15. \$50 and exchange of property.

Nathaniel Lewis and wife to Martha Miller all of New Madrid County: Lots 1 and 2 in block 32 Cooper's addition to Parma. \$1100.

Martha Miller to G. W. Overfield all of Parma, New Madrid County: All of lots 1 and 2, block 32 in Cooper Addition to the City of Parma. \$1100.

Mrs. Lillie May McGee et al to Walter H. McGee of New Madrid County: 1/2 acre of ground in SW 1/4 Sec. 32, twp. 24, Range 14, including interest in store building on said lot in Kewanee. \$1.

Marriage License.
None. Nobody loves each other this week.

Dis-graceful Advertisement

We have in our possession an advertising folder, handed to us by a local business man, which has on the top of the first inside page the picture of a man (?) wearing a broad-brimmed black hat. On the opposite page is printed some of the most loathsome and disgusting vulgarity possible to be placed in print, and fit only for the inspection of the vilest inhabitants of the infernal regions. It deals in the most inhuman language of the most loathsome things the human mind can suggest. About the nearest approach it makes to the border land of decency is when it uses this language, "In 1918, my father died, my mother married a nigger." Perhaps that is the reason he took nigger wenches by the arm at the polls at the last general election and pushed them into the polling place ahead of Mrs. William Kelly, Mavis Kelly, Mrs. E. C. Masden and Mrs. H. V. Litzelmeier (in the presence of Henry Morgan). It is a disgrace to this town to permit the distribution about the streets and places of business of such vile and degrading literature, and the stock law should be enforced against cattle that will distribute such. The individual who seeks thus to advertise his business and get acquainted is not a product of Pemiscot and we fail to see wherein she is benefited by his residence here. The town would greatly enrich itself by trading "IT" for most any kind of a nigger. It seems to us that the distributor of this obscene literature is either a degenerate or insanely imagines the citizens of Caruthersville mental vultures who relish a putrid diet.—Caruthersville Argus.

In order to show no favoritism in the enforcement of the law and in the performance of his duty, the Deputy Constable today placed himself under arrest.

Clab Hancock don't believe any more that music is soothing to the savage, as he sang to his baby the other night for two hours, and it got madder and madder.

The deacons of the Hog Ford church convened at the home of their pastor Monday afternoon and after talking him to sleep, surprised him by repairing the front fence.



GENUINE
"BULL"
DURHAM
tobacco makes 50
good cigarettes for
10c

Reapportionment Agreement For House of 460 Members

Washington, July 21.—Reapportionment legislation providing for a House of Representatives of 460 members, as compared with the present membership of 435, was agreed upon last night by the House Census Committee. Chairman Siegel was ordered to report out such a bill as soon as possible.

Under the reapportionment legislation two States, Maine and Missouri, would each lose a member, and 14 States would gain members. Texas would gain two and Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Oklahoma and Washington one each.

The Standard \$2.00 per year.

More lumber is consumed by forest fires annually than is taken up by saw mills.

Germany is using animal muscular fiber in the manufacture of a new artificial silk.

The Postmaster has figured up what business he has done with the postoffice during the past year, and finds that more mail is needed, as he has been able to supply about half of his patrons who called for letters and papers at the general delivery window.

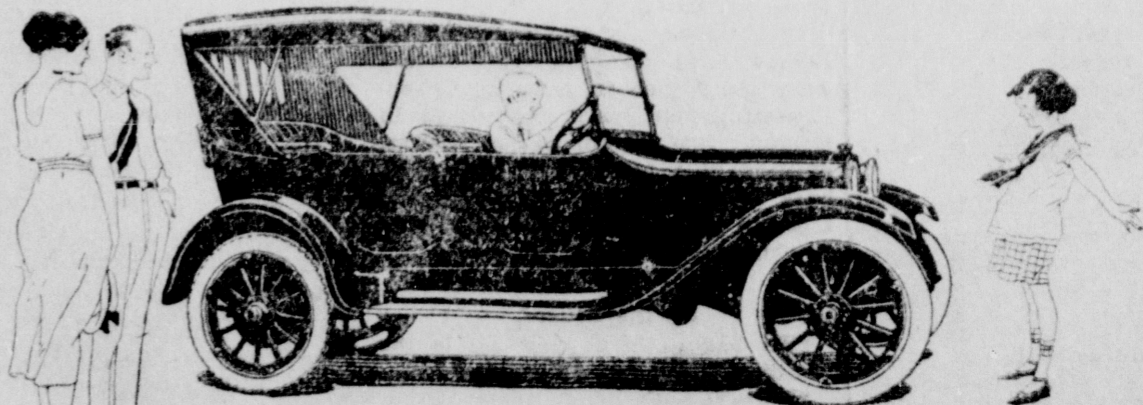
DODGE BROTHERS MOTOR CAR

Its economy is practically expressed in its low gasoline consumption, its high tire mileage and the infrequency of repairs.

It is further expressed in the durability of its finish, which seldom requires more than a thorough cleaning to bring back its original lustre.

The gasoline consumption is unusually low.
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SIKESTON, MO.



Flood Your Home With Music!

Instill into your children a love for good music. Gladden your dull hours with gay dance tunes. Soothe your worries with melodies of love, life and laughter. Refresh your spirits with inspiring band music and glorious orchestral selections.

Entertain your friends with a programme of great music, just as it is sung or played by famous artists.

The NEW EDISON
"The Phonograph with a Soul"



The Lair Company

MALONE THEATER

MONDAY & TUESDAY

July 25 & 26

THOMAS MEIGHAN

in

"Civilian Clothes"

A Paramount Picture

Sunshine Comedy "Sims"

10c & 30c Plus tax

WEDNESDAY

Metro Release

"THE SILVER LINING"

Jewell Carmen

"THE KID'S PAL"

Century Comedy.

9c and 18c plus war tax

THURSDAY

A Paramount Picture

"THE TEETH OF THE TIGER"

The Arsene Lupin Story.

David Powell and Myrtle Stedman

Pathe Review

9c and 18c plus war tax

COMING

Eileen Percy

in

"The Blushing Bride"

Wallace Reid

in

"Double Speed"

Douglas McLean and Dorris May

in

"23½ HOURS LEAVE"

Priscilla Deane and Tom Chaney

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The American Legion

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LEGION OFFICER KNOWS NAVY

Edward Spafford, Chairman of Committee on Naval Affairs, Has Climbed the Ladder.

Edward Elwell Spafford, newly appointed chairman of the American Legion's committee on naval affairs, knows the United States navy on land and on sea as few other men do.

Born in Springfield, Vt., Mr. Spafford was educated in the public schools. He received an appointment to the United States

Naval academy in 1901. Assigned to the ship Washington, he became gunnery officer; at that time he was the youngest officer in the navy to hold this position.

While the Washington was lying off Cape Hatteras a sailor was washed overboard in a heavy sea. Risking his life in the waves, Mr. Spafford plunged overboard and succeeded in rescuing the seaman. His bravery was recognized in a letter of commendation from the secretary of the navy. He rose to the rank of lieutenant commander.

In 1914 Mr. Spafford resigned from the navy to study law at Columbia university.

With the start of the war Mr. Spafford offered his services to his country and he was made a lieutenant commander in the navy reserve corps. He served for a time as a member of the board of inspection and survey, which was in charge of the selection of ships to be purchased by the government. He directed the fitting out of the first 25 110-foot submarine chasers built for distance service and established a submarine chaser base at New London, Conn.

When the American navy became active in the Straits of Otranto, Mr. Spafford was sent to establish a submarine chaser base at Corfu, Greece, and later became chief of staff of that station. He was in charge of all operations and was on the first American submarine chaser which destroyed an enemy ship after locating it by the process of sound contact.

When the Austrians surrendered two battleships and two destroyers to the United States, Lieutenant Commander Spafford took them over. Later, he investigated the situation along the Dalmatian coast and made a special report on Fiume to the American peace delegation at Paris. He received the Distinguished Service Medal. Mr. Spafford is a member of Manhattan naval post of the American Legion in New York city.

Who else but a bright-eyed, smiling American girl could have gotten away with it?

Sergeant Minnie Arthur of the United States marine corps was on duty in a recruiting office in Indianapolis, Ind., during the war. The major in charge was nervous; a colonel from Washington was coming to inspect; everyone brushed up on rules of military conduct. Minnie walked the austere colonel, Sergeant Arthur remained working at her desk. Silver-eagles walked over to her desk and frowned.

"Um—ever get up when an officer comes in the room, sergeant?" he growled.

"Yes, sir, sometimes," Miss Three Stripes replied.

"Um—and I suppose you salute your superiors, too, eh?"

Sergeant Arthur smiled sweetly—and then her eyes snapped.

"Sir, I've never seen a man yet who was my superior!"

And the colonel passed it off without a reprimand.

Miss Arthur, now vice-commander of Robert E. Kennington post of the American Legion in Indianapolis, enlisted for four years and served 18 months. She is still in the reserve, drawing \$1 a month with which she buys hair nets. She is authority on Librarian golf and plays a good hand at "blackjack."

On the Square.

"We had quite a game up to the boarding house last night."

"Poker?"

"No. The landlady was going to lick one of the boys for not paying his board. I tried to check her, she jumped me, crowned him and told us both to move."

"Did you do it?"

"Chess."—American Legion Weekly.

SAYS NO MAN HER SUPERIOR

Bright-Eyed Sergeant and Vice Commander of Post Bluffed Mr. Silver-Eagles.

Who this strange person was has never been fully ascertained.

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Regarding the identity of the Man in the Iron Mask all sorts of conclusions have been drawn, among which may be mentioned the following:

That he was an Armenian Patriarch, or Bishop, taken from Constantinople and for some reason unknown to us incarcerated in the Bastille; that he was the Duc de Vermandois, son of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was James, Duke of Monmouth, the English Pretender; that he was the twin brother of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was Mattiali, Secretary of State to Charles the Third; that he was Fauchet, an eminent statesman of the time of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was a son of Fauchet, and that he was a son of Cromwell.

These, however, are merely conjectures, on which no particular dependence can be placed. The light from them is so dim that nothing definite can be reached.

The register of the chief turn-key of the Bastille has been preserved, and in it is found this account of the mysterious prisoner:

"On Thursday, the 18th of September, 1698, the governor, M. Saint Mars, arrived at the Bastille for the first time from the Island of Sanit Marguerite and Sanit Honnai. He brought with him in his own carriage an ancient prisoner, formerly under his supervision at Pignerol, and whose name remains untold. The prisoner was always kept masked, and was lodged in the Basiniere tower."

All that can be logically inferred from this note from the register is this—that the captive was a man of

distinction and that it was necessary that he should not escape and that his identity should be carefully hidden, not only from the general public, but even from the turnkey and his assistants in the prison.

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Others have labored most assiduously to unravel the mystery, but without success; and the chances are that away down through the ages to come people will keep on asking the old, old question: "Who was the Man in the Iron Mask?"

By the by, did you ever stop to think that each one of us is the Man in the Iron Mask?

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Lair Company Music Store Will Be Moved August 1st

Owing to the strained condition of the buying public we have decided, as a measure of business safety, to retrench in overhead expense by moving the stock in our Sikeston Music Store back to the parent store in Charleston. This move will be made in time to vacate the building we occupy by August 1st.

Those who owe us past due accounts are requested to make arrangement to square up before that date. Those who owe us deferred payments will please remit to Charleston as payments mature.

We have on hand here a good stock of high grade pianos, player pianos and phonographs. A number of them have been slightly used but are in good serviceable condition. Rather than go to the trouble and expense of packing and draying them to Charleston, we are willing to take a good deal less than the regular price. If all cash is not available, we will be glad to extend business-like terms to anyone worthy of credit.

In closing our Sikeston place, we desire to thank everyone who has helped us in our efforts to place good music in Scott County homes—and there are hundreds who have helped us. We have not lost faith in the future of the music business in Southeast Missouri at all, but are simply drawing in our lines until people in general get on their feet again.

In the meantime we are in good shape in Charleston to serve anyone who wants a good musical instrument, whether it is a Chickering Piano or an Edison Phonograph and will exert ourselves to please our Scott County patrons. Mr. V. E. Williams, who opened up the Sikeston store, will remain with us in Charleston.

The Lair Company

The Iron Mask

By Rev. Thos. B. Gregory

Two hundred and eighteen years ago, the King of Terrors, stealing into the grim old Bastille, seized and bore away with him into the Silent Land the mysterious personage known in history as "The Man in the Iron Mask."

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The American Creed.

On the walls of one of the historic rooms of the Capitol at Washington there is a bronze tablet on which is embossed "The American's Creed." This tablet attracted wide attention because its author, William Tyler Page, won a \$1000 prize in a nationwide competition for the best patriotic "creed."

Preserved in imperishable bronze this bit of literature, which contains just one hundred words, promises to become a classic ranking with Lincoln's famous Gettysburg address. A rather remarkable fact is that none of the wording is original with the author. Instead he has made it a comprehensive composite of the best phrases found in American patriotic literature. The list of great American documents and orations from which phrases and sentences were so skillfully taken to make up the text of the tablet include the Declaration of Independence, preamble to the Constitution, the oath of allegiance, Washington's farewell address, the national anthem, etc.

The room in which the bronze tablet reposes is the one in which John Quincy Adams died, and which now serves as office of the clerk of the House of Representatives.

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people by the people for the people—Whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed—A democracy in a republic—A sovereign nation of many sovereign states—A perfect union one and inseparable—Established upon those principles of Freedom, Equality, Justice and Humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

Therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it—To support it. Constitution—To obey its laws—To respect its flag—And to defend it against all enemies.

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IS BUSY LEGION ORGANIZER

Vice Commander of Body in New York Perfects One of the Most Powerful Units.

Believing that the county organization is a vital part of the American Legion, William F. Deegan, first vice commander of the Legion in New York, has perfected in Bronx county one of the most powerful Legion units in the country.

Among the accomplishments of the Bronx county organization is the placing of bronze plaques on 950 trees as a memorial to the World war dead; employment provided for hundreds of ex-service men by the employment committee, and relief to sick and wounded veterans in New York city hospitals from the Legion's welfare committee.

Mr. Deegan, when asked to give some of his working principles, said: "I insist upon every post being represented at a county meeting held once a month. I visit every post at least once or twice a month and for the benefit of Legionnaires have arranged for a legal committee to take up the principal troubles of the boys, without cost. I find that Legion men have absolute confidence in their officers, provided they know that they do not seek political office at their expense. To that end I make every effort to keep the organization free from men holding appointive offices."

Personal contact with your post is absolutely necessary—telling them what is going on, listening to complaints and abolishing wherever possible parliamentary procedure, because delegates oftentimes will come to meetings and fear to speak on a subject which is vital to the interests of the organization, because they do not know whether they are in order."

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LEGION MAN ON LONG HIKE

Sergeant Sylvester of Indiana is Scheduled to Walk 737 Miles to Boost Training Camps.

Former doughboys will reflect long upon the sad case of Sgt. Harley C. Sylvester, who likes the walking branch of the service so well that he voluntarily agreed to hike an average of 18½ miles a day for 40 days to tell the peaceful citizenry why they should learn to fight.

When officials of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., looked about for the representative type of American soldier to advertise the citizens' military training camps to be held during the summer, they found Sergeant Sylvester, overseas veteran and member of the American Legion at the military post, still in the service.

Sergeant Sylvester is scheduled to cover 737 miles during the 40 days. He is visiting towns and cities in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. He carries light marching equipment and is the guest of his buddies in the Legion posts along the dusty route.

The American Legion will assist in obtaining recruits for the citizens' military training camps, according to a resolution adopted by the military policy committee of the ex-service men's organization.

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The far-sighted farmer of today does not risk too many chances in "one basket," and that a corn crop basket. Growing some alfalfa on every farm is a sound and sensible farm gospel.

The following motored to Burton's Bridge Sunday afternoon, took their supper and enjoyed the bathing: Misses Margaret Shanks, Vera Walpole, Mayme Marshall, Burnice Tanner, Erma Wilson, Gretchen Dunaway, Gladys Kendall, Helen Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Miss Leita Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Slack, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, and Messrs. James Kevill, Dave Kevill, Dr. Anthony, Ruskin McCoy, Jube Barrett, Tom Russell, Chris Francis, Dr. McClure and Miss Marguerite O'Connell of Sedalia.

Where Ignorance is Bliss.

"If you read more you would know more."

"Yes, and miss all the sensational cases by getting rejected for jury duty."—American Legion Weekly.

Why More Women Suffer From Cancer Than Men

Since 1864 the cancer death rate has been growing at an alarming rate in England and Wales. In that year the ratio of deaths per million of population was 385; in 1917 this ratio had grown to 1210. A similar increase is shown in every other civilized country which keeps a record of such matters. Usually figures indicate that the inroads of the disease are less serious than they actually are, because cases of internal cancer are often responsible for the death of patients.

Aroused by the rapid spread of the disease and the growing mortality therefrom, British medical authorities have undertaken a comprehensive study of the situation and are considering ways and means for its improvement. Contrary to what is generally understood, they say, medical men have long recognized the immediate causes of cancerous growths. Cancer is not a single malady but a host of maladies; 10 primary and at least 20 secondary kinds have been recognized. Each case has its own distinct rise.

Women suffer from cancer more frequently than men, although the latter are by no means immune. The special causes held to be responsible for the disease in women are aggravated by trouble, worry, anxiety and the wear and tear of living. The alarming increase of the disease in the past two or three generations, say cancer experts, results largely from the annually augmented wear and tear incident to increasing civilization from which few, under present conditions, can escape.

No diminution of this wear and tear, this strain of civilization, can be expected until conditions of life become far more easy and simple than they are now. Nevertheless, as a writer in The Pathfinder points out, a great deal can be done to prevent cancer and check its terrifying increase. "One important means to that end," says this writer, "would be greater equanimity and cheerfulness among women. Another factor of the greatest importance is to keep the body normally healthy and strong by rationally conforming to the general laws of health which are in no small measure individual and which vary more or less in different persons. Cancer in men is usually traceable to some infraction of nature's laws, such as over indulgence in alcoholic beverages, intemperance in eating, etc."

"The only real cure now known for a genuine cancer is the surgeon's knife or some form of cauterization, it is declared. In some instances nature seems to hold the growth in check. Proper treatment with drugs in such cases may help nature along in this beneficial work."

"Ordinarily an operation can be counted on to cure the disease and prolong the patient's life indefinitely if the cause of the trouble is recognized in time and the operation is performed before the disease has developed too far. Cancer tends to spread from the point where the growth begins to other tissues and to organs which the surgeon dares not tamper with. Most failures of operations are due to the fact that the cancer has developed beyond the initial stage and the infection has spread to other parts of the body before the patient submits to such treatment."

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SECOND SALES DAY ATTRACTED VERY FEW

Saturday, July 23, was the Second Sales Day for Sikeston under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce. The day was all that could be wished for, but the visitors were few, caused, no doubt, by the shortage of cash that was required to secure the bargain prices.

Prof. Honey's sweet music was one of the entertaining features of the day and it spread over the bread of blues as real honey over hot biscuits as those present, for the time, forgot their other troubles and enjoyed the music to the limit. The acrobat who performed on the trapeze was another entertainer who earned his money and pleased those who witnessed his acts.

The real climax was the drawing contest where you spent nothing and forty-two people were made happy. These gifts were donated by the merchants and business men of the city and were all useful. Following is the list of winners and the presents:

1. J. R. Sullivan, silk georgette waist, given by Miss Martha Martin.
2. Raymond Pierce, Garden Court Toilet set, by Eagle Drug Store.
3. Kathleen Marshall, Case of P. & G. White Naptha Soap, by Cash Grocery.

4. Mrs. Wm. Graham, box of cigars, by Hardy's Lunch Room.
5. Paul Gentles, 30x3 casing, by Parish Motor Co.

6. Hazel Weakly, gallon Bavertone Paint, by Young's Lumber Yard.
7. Chas. Scott, set aluminum ware, by Sikeston Hardware Co.

8. Mrs. P. H. Buchholtz, pair Bostonian or Queen Quality shoes, by Citizens Store Co.
9. J. E. Dover, three year subscription to The Sikeston Standard.

10. Mattie Boardman, 30x3 1/2 inner tube, by Overland Auto Sales Co.
11. Opal Calvin, 10-lb roast beef, by Walpole Meat Market.

12. C. C. Buchanan, side of breakfast bacon, by Sellards' Meat Market.
13. W. H. Thomas, 2 bushels cow peas, by Sikes-McMullin Grain Co.

14. Etta Wilson, spring wagon seat, by Russell-Whitener Imp. Co.
15. W. A. Goodpasture, Stewart V-ray spotlight, by L. C. Erdmann.

16. Mrs. Ira Shuffitt, pictures, by McShooler.
17. Mrs. Mollie Keith, pair Walk-Over shoes, by Buckner-Ragsdale Co.

18. Howard VanBrush, large size cake, by Schorle Bros. Bakery.
19. Will Powell, graphophone, by Pinnell Store Co.

20. Mrs. Mary Carter, ladies glazed kid shoes, by Sikeston Merc. Co.
21. Miss Etta Wilson, two cartons Mazda lamps, by Sikeston Electric Supply Co.

22. Ed Bacher, case each coca-cola and whistle, by Coco-cola Bot. Wks.
23. Howard Sparks, ladies all-linen or silk middle suit, by Stubbs Clo. Co.

24. Mrs. Ed Smith, ten drinks at Heissler's & Carr's.
25. Frank Smith, 30x3 1/2 inner tube, by Schneider Tire Doctor.

26. Ruby Evans, pair tennis shoes, by Harry Lampert.
27. Miss Etta Wilson, box of cigars, by The Arcade.

28. Amy Cox, box of stationery, by The Bijou.
29. Raymond Pierce, 100 pounds of sugar, by Farmers Supply Co.

30. Melvin Bowman, three year subscription to Sikeston Herald.
31. Harry Dover, set of aluminum ware, by Dempster Furniture Co.

32. Mrs. Leonard McMullin, ton of coal, by Energy Coal Co.
33. Raymond Pierce, Goodyear tire saving kit, by Greer-Stubbs Motor Co.

34. Cecil Jones, 32x3 1/2 rebuilt casing, by Hilleman Tire Co.
35. Helen Thomas, family pass for First National Week, The Doris.

36. Mrs. E. S. Childs, season ticket to Natatorium, by John Chaney.
37. George White, pair ladies silk hose, by Farmers D. G. & Clo. Co.

38. Mrs. L. C. Erdmann, sack seed wheat, by Cook Grain Co.
39. Mrs. Lewis Ferrell, case Libby's fancy apricots, by McKnight-Keaton Grocery Co.

40. Mrs. J. A. Barber, crepe kimono, by I. Becker.
41. Luther Hicks, can coffee with 10-lb milk bucket, by H. & H. Grocery.

42. Gertrude Hoffman, 4 large cans tobacco and pipes, by Dudley's Place.

It is uncertain whether or not another Sales Day will be held this season for the reason: The scarcity of money with the buying public. Not nearly so many people attended the Second Sales Day as did the first one, neither was business so good with the merchants, though the inducements were greater.

The Chamber of Commerce is to be commended for their efforts to bring more business to Sikeston and they will not be found wanting when a more opportune time arrives for another sales day.

MORE FORGED CHECKS PASSED IN SIKESTON

At least two checks forged on the Wm. Day Transfer Co. have turned up and more may be discovered. The Arcade cashed a check for \$4 made out to Howard Smith and drawn on the Peoples Bank of Sikeston. The Day Transfer Co. keep no account with the Peoples Bank and the check was sent to the Bank of Sikeston where the Transfer Company has an account. Wm. Day was notified of the suspicious check and after seeing same pronounced it a forgery. A restaurant near the Frisco Station cashed a check drawn to the same Howard Smith for a few dollars but the check was not dated and for that reason was taken to Day that he might complete the check when he pronounced it a forgery. Perhaps other checks are out that may turn up in the next few days.

The officers are quite certain who the parties are and expect to have them under arrest within a short time. Times are too hard and money too scarce for loafing forgers to check on other people's account and get away with it. It is to be hoped they will be promptly caught and as promptly sent to the penitentiary.

Fire Deserts Building and Contents.

Friday night about 10:00 o'clock the fire alarm sounded for a fire on Matthews Avenue, but some way or other the truck was misdirected and went to the opposite side of the city from the fire. The fire started under some mattresses that were stored in a room of the house. The house was the property of Ed Fuchs and occupied by a Mr. Tucker and family. The family had a narrow escape from death by fire as they were so nearly suffocated that neighbors had to assist from the burning building. The fire is supposed to have started from matches carried under the mattresses by mice. Mr. Fuchs had \$1200 insurance on the house while there was \$600 on the furniture.

Miss Solomon, of Kennett, is with her sister, Mrs. J. M. Pittman, for an extended visit.

Ware Parham and Norvall Welsh, who have been visiting the Henry Welsh family returned to Festus Monday night.

Nathaniel Folkerson, father of Mrs. Warner, died at the home of his daughter on Matthews Avenue, Friday, at the age of 91 years. The remains were shipped Saturday afternoon to Cuba, Ill., for burial.

North Carolina and Missouri had the same and the largest State yield of cotton lint per acre in 1920, or 275 pounds, while the average for the cotton States was 178.4 pounds, or 37 per cent of the lint in a 500-pound bale, gross weight. The largest yield was 58 per cent of a bale.

Miss Mary Gill returned home Sunday afternoon from a visit with her father at Marion, Ill.

The following young people leave this morning for Wahite to camp for a week, chaperoned by Mrs. W. S. Smith: A. J. Moore Jr., Ned Tanner, Foster Bruton, Paul Gilbert, Helen Welsh, Catherine Yount, Mildred Bowman, Melvin Bowman, Mary Blanton, Mary Ethel Prow, Dorothy Miller, Elia Helen Smith, Laura Joe Smith, Catherine Blanton, Addie Dover and Louis Emory Baker expect to join the campers Wednesday evening to spend the night.

Bijou On a Cash Basis After August 1st

On account of the slowness of collections for the past three months we have decided to do away with the unsatisfactory charge account system and make everything cash. We feel that by so doing we will not work a hardship upon any of our customers, but that they will be better satisfied in the long run.

We have several accounts on our books which we wish to have settled by the first of August. If you have an account with us, kindly call as soon as possible and settle same.

PATE & BROWN.

7000 Acres Melons Signed

The annual meeting of the Southeast Missouri Melon Growers' Association was held in the upper territory Friday at Sikeston and in the lower territory at Kennett Saturday, July 16th. The 25 locals represent nearly 400 members who have signed contracts to deliver all of their marketable melons, which are being grown on the 7000 acres, to the Association for sale. It appears now that the Association will handle practically all of the melons of the district and the few remaining growers outside of the Association will very likely come in before the first cars begin to move. The locals have decided to make the date of the movement of the first car the last day on which they will accept members.

The upper territory consisting of the counties of Butler, Scott, Mississippi, and New Madrid have 221 members and 4000 acres under contract. Dunklin County has the balance of the members and acres.

Manager W. W. Wooden complimented the County Agents and Farm Bureaus by stating that it was very easy to see the effect of this extension forces in securing memberships. He stated that the reason the lower territory was moving slower in the campaign for members was chiefly due to the absence of a County Agent in Dunklin County to guide the campaign. This week meetings will be held at each local at which the details of the sales plans, grading and other things of interest will be discussed by the membership. The sales plan as explained by sales manager C. B. Michelson is as follows: Through him contracts have been made with the brokers of the American Fruit Growers Exchange in 138 of the best markets in the Middle West. These brokers will handle "Honey Heart" melons exclusively. The policy of the Association will be to sell all melons to track buyers for cash as long as they will pay market price, after which the cars will be rolled to the exclusive broker.

The State Bureau of Markets co-operating with the Federal Service is working out a plan to assist the growers in grading and inspecting work and it is hoped that it would be possible for each local manager to be a deputy State Inspector so that when the car has been graded the state seal of inspection can be placed thereon which will mean much in the sale of melons. Each local manager will be bonded to insure the proper handling of funds entrusted to him.

R. B. Sullivan of Morley was re-elected a member of the Board of Directors the other members being: Dr. Paul Baldwin, E. E. Smith, Dr. H. A. McHany and S. A. Presson.

The commission charge for handling the cars will be based on the percentage basis with a minimum of \$15 per car and a maximum of \$35 depending upon the price at which the car sells. It is expected that this will cost less than the method used last year. Any balance left at the end of the season will be returned to the growers.

Managers Wooden states that there are now only three small shipping points in Southeast Missouri which are as yet unorganized. General offices will be opened at Kennett with branch office at Sikeston, which later will be revised with the main office at Sikeston and a branch office at Kennett as the loadings decrease in the lower territory and increase in the upper. Offices are being opened this week at Kennett, where the movement is expected to begin about July 25. A good general rain over the territory would greatly increase the probable number of cars to be shipped which at the present time is expected to exceed 3000.

In each county having county agents these men will be on the job during the loading season to assist the melon growers in grading, weighing and other details of the work.

President Harding is to be complimented for placing Charles Dawes in charge of the Director of Budget office. Dawes says he can save the country \$900,000,000 by stopping departmental leaks in Washington. He is the "Hell, Maria", man who cursed Congress so roundly last year for its persistent efforts to bring American operations in France into disrepute by continually investigating everybody connected with the task of whipping the Germans. Although a Republican, Dawes asserted that the war had been magnificently managed and that the fighting would have continued much longer except for the policy adopted by the administration in America. If he can force economy in the departments at Washington as suddenly as he cursed Congress into being ashamed of itself he will be entitled to further gratitude from his country.—Paris Appeal.

Miss Antonette Crossman of Morehouse and Miss Hyacinth Sheppard of Sikeston, left Saturday morning for Cleveland, Ohio, where they will be the guests of Miss Lucille Lemley for ten days. They expect to make excursions into Canada, to Niagara Falls, and other points of interest in the Northeast.

THE ILLMO EDITOR HAS SUDDENLY CHANGED TUNES

Scott County now has seventy-five miles of completed roads, with about the same number yet to be finished.

We traveled over some of the completed roads last Sunday and they are certainly a credit to the county.

The traveling of the Mannings landing road will be completed in two weeks and then there will be a first class road from Illmo to the river which should prove a big saving in freight rates as goods can then be shipped by boats to the landing and then trucked to this city.

Work is progressing nicely on the new road from Anzell to Chaffee.

Taken as a whole the road building plan of the county court is progressing nicely and they are getting results. The Implicute was skeptical in regard to this road building and did not hesitate to say so on many occasions, believing then and still believe, that with the exception of the presiding judge, the former county court knew about as much about road building as Jack Dempsey did of serving his country when his services were needed.

We take off our hat to the present court and the engineer in charge of the road building program.—Illmo Implicute.

Mrs. J. A. Hess, Mrs. Laura Smith, Mrs. Mollie Long and Miss Helen Hess motored to Morehouse Friday afternoon and spent the evening with Mrs. Mollie Hunter.

The editor of The Standard would have been happy to have been present at the Democratic gathering Saturday evening had he been given a tip that the clans were to have met.

Raymond Pierce of Sikeston was unfortunately enough to have his crippled arm broken in another place the last of the week when he caught his heel on the fender of a car and tripped with the foregoing result.

The burial of Sam Chapman an employee of the Bimel-Ashcroft Manufacturing Co. of Morehouse, who died here in the St. Francis hospital early yesterday morning from injuries received while at work will be held either today or tomorrow at Sikeston. Chapman, it is said, was attempting to put a belt on a moving pulley when the canvas gloves which he was wearing caught in the wheel. Mr. Chapman leaves to mourn his death four children, Ralph, 25, of St. Louis, John, 13, and Charles, 10, both of Morehouse, one daughter, Mrs. Opal Craig, whose home is also at Morehouse.—Cape Girardeau Sun.

DUROC PIG CLUB MADE HAPPY BOYS

The Chamber of Commerce backed the Pig Club for the boys of Sikeston and vicinity and the first lot were placed Saturday afternoon. This lot consisted of 20 bred gilts and were Durocs. Col. W. H. Sikes was the committeeman who superintended this part of the club and he selected a magnificent lot of animals to go into the first placing. Those who received Duroc gilts were: Herman Mosier, Homer Decker Jr., Gilbert Hopper, Dwight Engle, Everett Greer, Frank Cantrell, Auburn Nations, Roy H. Bennett, Fred Woods, John Hunter Hutchins, Ben Sells Jr., Emory Taylor, Marvin Hamby, Ernest Inman, Bill Smith Jr., Earl Johnson, Bill Sikes Baker, Gregory Witt, Murray Sitze.

John R. Suggs, of Morganfield, Ky., assistant secretary of the American Duroc Association, was present and made a talk to the boys, as did Col. Rusk of the Extension Division, State Agricultural Department, Columbia.

Twenty Poland China bred gilts will also be placed with pig club boys at an early date, perhaps on Saturday, August 6. Emory Matthews, committeeman for the Poland Chinas, on account of sickness in his family, was unable to have them ready for the Second Sales Day, but due notice will be given of the event.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI EXHIBIT CELEBRATION

The luncheon in connection with the formal opening of the exhibits of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau in Union Station, St. Louis, will be held at the New Claridge Hotel, 18th and Locust Streets, St. Louis, at 12:30 p. m. on August 3, 1921.

All Southeast Missouri people and former residents of this section are invited to attend this luncheon. Gov. Hyde, Mayor Keil and other notables will act as toast-masters. Reservations should be made in advance so that Secretary A. I. Foard may know just how many to prepare for. The luncheon will be served at 85c per plate, on the pay-as-you-enter plan.

The exhibits in the old bar room of the Terminal Hotel are being installed this week and are said to make a very fine display. The Bureau has arranged for space at the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia August 8-20.

The Bakers and Bread

There are some queer people in Congress, some with fads about regulating everything and some with queer ideas as to the facts they discuss. Senator Capper in the last named class told his colleagues in Congress that because the price of bread has not fallen as rapidly as the cost of flour all bakers must be profiteering. The Kansas Senator bemoaned the fact that while wheat is about its pre-war figure the 5-cent loaf is only a sweet memory. The Senator evidently thinks that flour is the only thing that goes into the cost of making bread. He forgets the increased freight rates on the railroads, the higher charges for trucking since the war and the new wages paid to labor in every branch of the baking business from the actual making of the loaf to its delivery. Senator Capper's constituents in Kansas did not want the price of wheat to be lower. They fought desperately against it, but the law of supply and demand forced the real market value. But he should know that the enforced fall in the cost of flour is only one item and not the chief one in producing well-made bread for big communities. Unbalanced talk of this sort in the Senate does harm everywhere among the unthinking. There have been reductions in the price of bread, warranted by the conditions and the competition, but the pre-war period cannot come as to selling value while rents are higher than ever known in the history of the nation and companion costs in labor, vehicular service, wrapping paper, coal, oil and transportation are practically at the peak. No good service ever is done by unjustly attacking industry and getting people to believe things that are not so. Senator Capper also ought to know that, aside from increased taxes, the day also has come in the cities when sanitary bake shops are the only thing recognized by law, which was not true in the long hours of labor and the 5-cent loaf.—Providence News.

The Standard \$2.00 per year.

BIG REWARD OFFERED FOR BANK ROBBERS

Vanduser, Mo., July 22.—Rewards aggregating \$1,000 for each man have been offered for the apprehension of the two bandits, who entered the Bank of Vanduser here at 4:30 yesterday afternoon and, after locking Cashier T. M. Bugg and Assistant, J. N. Bugg, in the vault, escaped with a little more than \$1800 in currency and silver.

Deputy Sheriff T. M. Scott, who is in charge of the pursuit of the robbers, is convinced that the two men in a new Ford who stopped for gasoline at Morehouse at 6 o'clock last night are the pair wanted. The description of the men who stopped at Morehouse tallies with that given by the bank officials. The car bore an Illinois license number and the men are believed to have crossed the river at Commerce. Ed Dailey, ferryman there, recalls conveying two men in a new Ford across the stream early yesterday afternoon. He was unable to describe the men, however.

M. V. Harris saw a couple driving in a new Ford car through Benton between 2 and 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the robbery and Paul Schuenberg reported today that he had passed two men in a new Ford car about a mile north of town at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The car was stopped and the men were apparently remedying engine trouble. J. Allen, a blacksmith here, saw a pair believed to be the bandits entering the city just before the robbery. The descriptions of the men seen in every instance tally with that given by the cashier and his assistant. Ex-sheriff Buck Tickle of Morehouse saw the pair at that place, but had not learned of the holdup.

The chase is being pushed from Morehouse with that city as the base of operations. Of the \$2000 in rewards offered all but \$100, posted by the bank is furnished by banking insurance companies. Although it was first reported that the bandits had secured \$1700 but an inventory today revealed that over \$1800 was missing. \$169 in the vault was overlooked. Some checks and notes are also believed to have been taken.

Dr. and Mrs. Derris and children motored to Charleston Sunday afternoon.

Miss Helen Shelby of Charleston and Miss Madeline Bergman of Cape Girardeau are visiting Miss Virginia Matthews.

LOST—High School seal ring somewhere between First Ditch east of Sikeston and my home in Sikeston. Finder please return.—Katheryn Jewell.

Dave Blanton and Mort Griffith of Sikeston were in East Prairie Wednesday. They were with Gord Dill who was distributing advertising for the Fair and also Sikeston Sales Day.—East Prairie Eagle.

Col. Ross of the McKnight-Keaton Co., wholesale grocers, visited the parent concern in Cairo, Saturday. The editor saw him safely on the car and warned him to watch out for the street cars and other pit-falls.

Mrs. E. J. Malone returned from Jefferson City Sunday and Dr. Malone will return just as soon as the extra session of the legislature adjourns, which will be very shortly. Mrs. Malone's brother and wife, Mr. Bridges, drove down from Chicago and will be guests at the Malone home for a few days.

Malone Theatre Thursday Evening, July 28th

Adolph Zukor presents

"The Teeth of the Tiger"

An Arsene Lupin Story

"You Murderer!"

Who? The dead man's wife? Her lover? The doctor? The pretty niece? Or were those strange teeth marks the clue to another crime by Arsene Lupin? And who of these five was crouching there in the "house of mystery," in frantic fear of that steady automatic? A picture that is all thrill! With David Powell, Myrtle Steadman, Marguerite Courtot and Charles Gerard.

9c and 18c plus war tax.

Malone Theatre Wednesday Evening, July 27th

She Played With the Law

Her alluring beauty and keen wits easily frustrated the guardians of society but at last the only law she could not conquer enmeshed her in its coils and in her defeat "The Angel" found her greatest victory.

Jewel Carmen

"The Silver Lining"

9c and 18c plus war tax.

SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI.Entered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,
Scott County, Missouri, as second-
class mail matter, according to act
of Congress.THE STANDARD is the only paper in
Scott County that is published
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-
ers wanting the news who it is
news, and for advertisers desiring
quick results, it is the best medium.The Standard announces the follow-
ing new rates for advertising effective
August 1, 1920:Display advertising, per single column
inch, net25c
Reading notices per line.....10c
Financial statements for banks.....\$6.00
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00The Standard announces the follow-
ing new rates for subscription effec-
tive September 1, 1920:Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott
and adjoining counties.....\$2.00
Yearly subscription elsewhere in
United States.....\$2.50
No renewal allowed at present rate
for longer than one year.Foreign Advertising Representative
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATIONThe Charleston Enterprise-Courier
announces a reduction in their sub-
scription rates, and gives their reason:
Hard Times. Might not the real reason
be: The Charleston Times!Col. Chas. L. Woods, owner of the
Rolla, Mo., Herald, was a caller at
The Standard office Thursday after-
noon. Though a Democrat, he is still
connected with the oil inspection of
the State.Cape Girardeau has a picture show
for negroes. Sikeston will raise no
objection if her surplus of negroes
would move to that city where they
have everything for their entertain-
ment. At that, The Standard has
nothing against the Cape.Pearl White, motion picture actress,
has been granted a divorce from Wal-
lace McCutcheon by the superior
court at Providence, R. I., on the
ground of neglect to provide. The fi-
nal decree will be entered in 6 months.
No alimony was provided. Guess the
Pretty Pearl will have no trouble to
find another victim.Fashion Note: Of course a girl will
not believe this, but she can get a
beautiful complexion by steaming her
face over a washtub; wringing out
the clothes makes the arms plump;
hanging them out on the line increases
the bust measurement, and carrying
them to and from the yard makes the
waist line smaller and the limbs more
shapely. This is worth trying.George Horace Lorimer, editor of
The Saturday Evening Post, frequently
says some mighty good things, and
the following is one of them: "Men do
not work because they are virtuous,
but they are virtuous because they
work. The vices man has invented
are the vices of idleness. Man is most
respectable while sweating for his
bread—not because sweating is a vir-
tue but because idleness gets him into
mischief. Remove the necessity that
now drives men to labor and within a
year the devil could annex the world
without the formality of a plebiscite."A statue of Daniel Webster is
soon to be unveiled in Athens, Greece.

American Jews

We enjoy, in America exactly the
spiritual liberty, the financial suc-
cess, and the social position which
we have earned. Any Jew in Amer-
ica who wishes to be a saint of Zion
has only to practice the cultivation of
his spiritual gifts—there is none to
hinder him. Any Jew in America who
seeks material reward has only to
cultivate the powers of his mind and
character—there are no barriers be-
tween him and achievement. Any
Jew in America who yearns for so-
cial position has only to cultivate his
manners—there are no insurmount-
able discriminations here against true
gentlemen. The Jews of France have
found France to be their Zion. The
Jews of England have found England
to be their Zion. We Jews of Amer-
ica have found America to be our Zion.
Therefore, I refuse to allow myself to
be called a Zionist. I am an Ameri-
can. We in America refuse to set our-
selves apart in a voluntary ghetto for
the sake of old traditional observa-
nces. I have often used a figure of
speech—it was brought to my mind
by a meeting with rugmakers in Tur-
key—as follows: The Jew has been
content in most lands, and down the
ages, to be the fringe of the carpet,
the loose end over which every foot
has stumbled, where every heel has
left its injuring impression on the
disconnected individual strands. What
the Jew should do is, to become a
part of the pattern of the carpet it-
self; weave himself into the very
warp and woof of the main fabric of
humanity; and gain the strength
which comes from a co-ordinated and
orderly relation to the other strands
of human society. His peculiar beau-
ties (his peculiar talents), which in
the fringe are soiled and hidden, take
on new value when they become part
of the main carpet; and they find
their glory in lending to the pattern a
unique splendor and a special lustre.
—Henry Morgenthau in World's
Work.

An entirely new idea in typewriter
construction is embodied in the inven-
tion of an attorney who was former-
ly a court reporter. Like a linotype
machine, the new instrument sets up
a whole line of type before printing.
The impression is made directly from
the inked type, without a ribbon, and
the operation is practically silent. For
a 55-letter line, there are 55 perpen-
dicular rows of keys, each containing
40 characters, making a keyboard
24x10 inches. The operator works
from left to right, depressing one
key in each column about 1-8 inch,
and sometimes setting whole words
with one motion. The line finished,
a lever is pulled, which inks the
type and presses the platen and pa-
per against it, the lever's return re-
storing all parts to neutral.

About the thinnest thing we have
seen lately is the proposition of the
State Fair management to give prizes
(?) for the best centennial editions
of the country newspapers in Mis-
souri. The scheme is to get all the
advertising for the State Fair free
from the country newspapers and
give all the paid advertising to the
metropolitan papers. All the country
papers who enter the contest (?)
have to give the State Fair a page of
advertising free of charge. It is a
strange thing that the country news-
paper is always the goat whenever
anything is wanted.—New London
Record.

The Standard \$2.00 per year.



**LUCKY
STRIKE**

Cigarette

To seal in the
delicious *Burley*
tobacco flavor.

It's Toasted

WILL NOT DEAL WITH
LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Washington, July 22.—Complaints
from the league of nations, that the
United States Government ignores its
communications are "very surprising"
to Washington officials. The explana-
tion of the administration officials is
about as follows:

All communications emanating
from the league on international sub-
jects have been promptly answered by
this government, but, instead of re-
sponding to the league as the instru-
ment of member nations, the United
States has addressed itself to the
member nations individually.

This government not being a mem-
ber of the league of nations, it is
explained, "is not in a position to ne-
gotiate directly with the league of-
ficials and for that reason takes af-
fairs up directly with the powers rep-
resented in the league."

Even loyal Republicans are begin-
ning to show some disgust with this
attitude. They are asking why the
United States "is not in a position to
negotiate directly with the league of-
ficials." They cannot understand why
America should refuse to deal with the
league, even though she is not a
member.

Democrats, on the other hand, say
that they know the reason very well.
They declare that it is the desire of
the administration that the league die
as quickly as possible, and that it is
believed a course of "absent treat-
ment" may expedite the death. In or-
der to help dispose of the league,
which is beginning to show signs of
too much permanence, the Democrats
say the administration is "willing to
exhibit the amazing "littleness" of at-
tempting to snub a concert of nations
which is the official representative of
the nations of the world with the ex-
ception of Germany, Russia and the
United States.

GIRLS WANTED—Over 16 years of
age to learn to operate power sewing
machines. A large, cool room to
work in. A beautiful recreation room
with shower baths at your disposal.
Consulting nurse in case of sickness.
Hot lunch served at noon for less than
cost. If interested, write International
Shoe Company, Cape Girardeau,
Missouri, 1f.

Phillips the Fair of France, in 1294,
forced economy on his people by
law.

Akbar and His Four Religions

Akbar, greatest of the Moguls, to
whom the British succeeded as rulers
of India, was a great conqueror,
wise ruler, and good man. He bore
the title Kaisar-i-Hind that the En-
glish king bears today, as ruler of In-
dia.

H. G. Wells says of Akbar, "His
distinctive quality was his openness
of mind." Mr. McKay's picture,
showing the great Asiatic ruler, sit-
ting in his council hall, perched on
the top of a stone column, with a
Christian, a Jew, a Mohammedan and
a Hindu at the four corners, to ad-
vise him, proves that his mind was
open indeed.

The other day the Countess Giey-
zka, granddaughter of Joseph Medill
of Chicago, and one of many young
intelligent American women wasting
real talent on the social air, wrote a
story, casually mentioning the in-
cident in Akbar's life that is illustrat-
ed in this picture. She got it from a
speech by Paul M. Warburg, and
Mr. Warburg kindly furnished a pho-
tograph taken in the Indian jungle,
from which Mr. McKay made this
cartoon.

Mr. Warburg thus describes his
visit to the abandoned city and the
ruined palace in which the mighty
Akbar sat, when he called upon the
four religions to advise him.

"Between Agra and Delhi, sur-
rounded by the wild woods and jungle
of India, lies the deserted city of
Fatipur Sikri. It is twenty-eight
years ago that I entered its deep sil-
ence in the middle of the night, the
moon throwing her mysterious light
upon the sleeping walls and towers,
which seemed to dream of the splen-
dors and glories of centuries gone by.

"The memory of that picture re-
mained deeply engraved upon my
mind.
"In brown granite, that the rough
hand of time had not been able to
touch, there stood before me, practi-
cally intact, the residence of King
Akbar.

"There were his palaces, his treas-
ury and the buildings of other heads
of departments, the house of worship
and the strange little hall, shaped like
a lantern, where, in the middle on a
high pillar, presided the King, while
in each of the four corners, from
which narrow stone bridges led to the
column in the center, sat a represen-
tative of one of the four leading re-
ligions—a Hindu, a Mohammedan, a
Christian and a Jew.

"It was King Akbar's ambitious
plan to take the best out of all creeds
and to blend them into one great re-
ligion. He had wives of all these de-
nominations (and probably more),
whose individual houses still stand
with all their grace and charm."

Every man and woman, from the
poorest to the most powerful, could
learn something by studying the life
of Akbar, and thinking over this pic-
ture and its meaning.

It was Akbar who said, "Why
should I claim to guide men, before I
myself am guided?" So he studied
and consulted others, although he had
all the power in his own hand, he
knew that the only real power is
TRUTH, and sought to find it.

A powerful creature, was this Ak-
bar, whose royal father was a fugi-
tive, himself born and brought up in
the desert. For his amusement he
hunted the elephant, the wild horse
and the tiger. Once he rode two hun-
dred and twenty miles in a day thru
the heat of India, to persuade his
subordinate, the Rajah of Jodhpore
not to burn alive the widow of his de-
ceased son.

In battle he led the way. In victory
he was compassionate. When his
deadly enemy was brought before
him in chains, the chief minister
handed a sword to Akbar, then a
young man, that he might enjoy cut-
ting off his enemy's head. Akbar
would not touch him, so the minister
took back the sword and cut the
helpless man's head off with a blow,
proud of himself.

Nothing could be more interesting
than this picture of a great ruler, of
which a model may be seen in the
Indian Museum, at South Kensington
in London.

You may find a description of it on
Page 238 of "Picturesque India", pub-
lished by Routledge.

The Mussulman believed that the
Hindu religious teacher would be tor-
mented forever. The Hindu believed
that the other three, Jew, Christian
and Mohammedan, after death must
go through the bodies of inferior an-
imals to become purified. The Chris-
tian believed that all three of the
others would go to hell to burn for-
ever, unless miraculously saved at the
last minute from their error.

The Jew thought the other three
very unimportant and wasted little
time on them. He was interested in
Akbar, and probably gave him good
advice. Like the Hindu, the Jew rep-
resented a race that had been think-
ing for many centuries.

Akbar, in the middle, consulted
them all, and believed NOT ONE OF
THEM. He was originally a Mussul-

man, follower of Mohammed. But he
was also a thinker, and found it hard
to believe that Mohammed had jump-
ed on the back of a white horse nam-
ed Alborak, gone up to heaven on
that horse, seen angels with fore-
heads more than fifty miles wide, and
received power from Allah, ruler of
the Universe, authorizing him, Mo-
hammed, to rule the world.

The childish stories, miracles and
especially the foolish heaven of Mo-
hammed, with beautiful young ladies
made of solid musk, wine with alco-
hol, but not intoxicating, a dozen or
more wives for each, and the earth-
ly wives left behind, all seemed im-
probable to Akbar. He studied and
consulted Jews, Christians, Hindus.
He finally made up for himself a
creed based on the belief of the great
Zoroaster. This home-made religion
was a pretty good one, with only
one good, no hell and no vengeance.
But it was too good for the people of
his time and it died when he died.
Primitive religions like primitive men
fall when they lack "pep".

Imitate the great Akbar, by keep-
ing your mind open to new thoughts,
new methods, and especially by mis-
trusting YOUR OWN wisdom.

Do not go as far as the great Ak-
bar, who had Jewish, Christian, Mo-
hammedan and Hindu wives, besides
other kinds.

That in our day would be too much
of a good thing, in the way of open
mindedness and one or more of the
ladies would be apt to come to break-
fast with her face scratched, the hus-
band also MORE scratched.

But keep in mind this picture of
one of the greatest and best rulers
the world has ever seen. He encour-
aged literature, established schools
for all, allowed persecution of none,
no matter what they might believe.

His question was, as he turned
North, Southeast, East and West,
"What do you think? Answer brief-
ly."

How much higher and wiser seems
this old man, the great ruler, ready
to hear all sides, as compared with
any one of the four that surround
him, each convinced that HE knew
it all.

Keep your MIND open, and you
keep the road to PROGRESS open.
Close your MIND, and everything
else closes.

MISS MARY GILL



The above photograph is that of
Miss Mary Gill of Sikeston, Mo.,
printed in the St. Louis Globe-Demo-
crat recently as one of the beautiful
girls in the Globe-Democrat's \$7100
Cash Beauty Prize Contest for young
women.

Publication of the picture does not
indicate whether she is considered a
possible winner, nor is the opposite
true, as the winners will not be cho-
sen until after the close of the con-
test August 31. Photographs are
printed each day in the Daily and
Sunday Globe-Democrat.

Three judges have been selected to
choose the winners. All are St. Louis
artists of high standing nationally. It
does not cost any girl a cent to enter
her photograph.

There will be a total of \$7100 in
cash given absolutely free to twelve
of the prettiest girls in the United
States. There are four \$1000 first
prizes, four \$100 second prizes and
four \$50 third prizes. The United
States has been divided into four
districts. After the twelve winners
have been selected, the most beauti-
ful of all will be presented with an
additional \$2500 capital cash prize.

Each edition of the Globe-Democrat
contains an official information blank
that must be filled in and pasted on
the back of the photograph in order
to officially enter it in the contest.
Full details of the contest also are
printed each day in the Globe-Demo-
crat.

At one spot near New Zealand the
ocean is more than six miles deep.

New Jersey's production of pota-
toes has nearly doubled in seven
years.

An Ohio scientist who has invented
an apparatus that projects the sound
waves on a screen, where they can
be accurately measured, estimates
that the human voice has about one
two-hundredth of a horse power.

McVEY DECLINES PRESIDENCY
OF MISSOURI UNIVERSITY

Lexington, Ky., July 21.—Dr. F.
L. McVey, President of the Univer-
sity of Kentucky, announced last
night that he would remain at the
university. He had been offered the
presidency of Missouri University. It
is understood that he will not re-
ceive any increase in salary.

"If I did not believe that the State
will get behind the university at the
next Legislature for a greater approp-
riation I should not have decided to
remain here," McVey said.

Now while it is dry, hot and dusty
it is well enough that we consider
and discuss ways and means of com-
bating the mud which will come later
in the season. Most all mud authori-
ties seem agreed that mud affects
the human feet more than any other
part of the body. Prof. Gape Allsop,
teacher of the Wild Rose school, in
discussing this matter a few days ago
said in giving many thoughts: "Mud
usually follows a rainy season, it af-
fects that part of the person known
as the feet. To get through a course
of mud with as little difficulty as
possible the person must put his or
her feet down as seldom as possible
to conform with good manners and
lift them from the ground very hur-
riedly before the mud has time to take
effect. On walking across deep mud
it is advisable to hold the breath." The
Wild Rose school teacher says he
could write a whole book on the sub-
ject of "Mud, Its Cause and Effect." This
book no doubt would be a valuable
authority on mud, as Prof. Allsop
has encountered mud in all walks
of life. But what we started out to
say is that there is a vast difference in
mud and dust. The ladies can wipe
the dust from their shoes on their
hose—but mud—nay!

The English town of Aldreshot has
a school for training steeplejacks.
Suicides in the United States dur-
ing 1920 numbered 6171, including 707
children.

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Should Mothers

"Break Training?"

At the end of every football season
in the colleges, after weeks of hard
work, members of the team let down,
or, as the saying goes, "break train-
ing."

They find it almost compulsory to
rest and relax—to refresh themselves
for renewed labors.

"But what of mothers," a contem-
porary writer asks, "mothers tied
down from day to day, week to week,
month to month—ought they not to
break training also? Relaxation now
and then would add years to their
lives."

It's such relaxation that's available
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and bickering with laundresses? Why
not gain escape from all the irrita-
tions that wash-days entail, for a few
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too—call punctually for your entire
washing, and then just as punctually
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unsightly pin holes or other blemish-
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finished it yourself.

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6525 It Was the Time of Lilac
6526 I'm Going to Marry Harry on the Fifth of January
6528 O'er the Hills to Adontzen
6534 Marche Romaine
6535 (1) Gavotte in B Flat (Handel) (2) Gisa (Corelli) (3) Second Gavotte
6536 (Capellinoff)
6537 Salut d'Amour (Love's Greeting) Whistling
6538 Invitation—Waltz Whistling
6539 (1) Heavenly Aids (from "Aida") Violin Solo (2) Heaven May Forgive You
6540 (from "Martha") Blue Solo (3) Habenera (from "Carmen") Flute Solo
6541 (4) Miserere (from "Trovatore") Cornet Solo
6542 (5) Song to the Evening Star (from "Tauschauer") Violoncello Solo (6) Torad-
6543 dor Song (from "Carmen") Viola Solo (7) Soldiers' Chorus (from "Faust")
6544 Bassoon Solo (8) Woman in Fiddle (from "Rigoletto") Celesta Solo
6545 Victor Orchestra
6546 Pucker Up and Whistle
6547 Home Again Blues
6548 The Legend—Medley Waltz
6549 Mello Cello—Waltz
6550 Held Fast in a Baby's Hands
6551 Nobody's Rose
6552 Wait Until You See My Madeline
6553 Pearly O'Neil
6554 Crooning—Fox Trot
6555 I'll Keep on Loving You—Fox Trot
6556 Just Keep a Thought for Me—Fox Trot
6557 I Like It—All By Myself—Medley Fox Trot
6558 My Old Kentucky Home and Old Black Joe
6559 Down in Arkansas
6560 President Harding March
6561 (National Capital Centennial March

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Our Foreign Trade

The country's merchandise exports during the fiscal year ending June 30 declined \$1,591,674,000 from the year before. Imports declined \$1,571,852,000. The total loss was \$3,163,526,000. This shrinkage within a year is greater than the whole foreign trade of the nation ever accounted to up to the year 1907. It is greater than the average total of exports and imports for the four years to 1911. If such a loss were applied to the trade of any one of the following years down to the outbreak of the World War it would not have left enough to have been worth recording. But more than a \$3,000,000,000 decline in the country's foreign trade for one year is evidently not enough to suit the Republican majority of Congress. They want a bigger showing of the kind than that. They are now trying to jam through the highest-rated tariff bill ever known to the United States, in the avowed purpose of smashing imports as much further down as possible, and they must have intelligence enough by this time to know that the effect upon exports will be correspondingly smashing. Is it a \$6,000,000,000 loss in the foreign trade for the last fiscal year and this which they seek? And 6,000,000 men put out of work in the same time instead of over 3,000,000 now idle from a year ago? Said Secretary Hoover to the National Shoe and Leather Exposition at Boston: "The hard times that knock at every cottage door came from Europe. No tariffs, no embargoes, no navies, no armies, can ever defend us from these inva-

sions. Our sole defense is the prosperity of our neighbors and our own commercial skill."

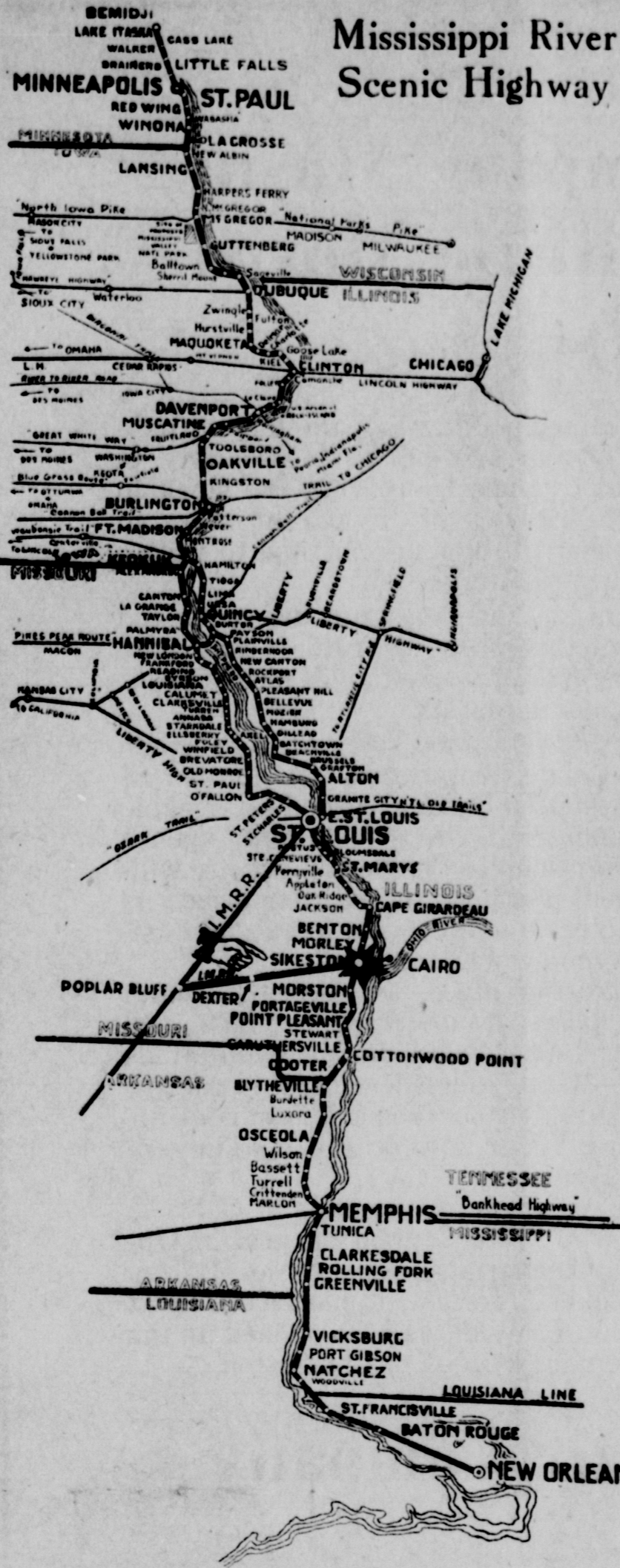
That is the plain truth of the matter. It is the obvious truth in the face of these foreign-trade figures. But how can such a measure of enlightenment at the administrative end of the Government be extended to its legislative end?—New York World.

Bookkeeper Falls Heir to Fortune.

"Upon the death of an uncle I inherited \$50,000. I gave up my position and intended enjoying myself when I was stricken with a severe case of stomach trouble and colic attacks. Two of these attacks made me lose consciousness. After treating with our best doctors with little benefit, I decided to try Mayr's Wonderful Remedy, and it helped me at once. I have been entirely well for past year." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhs of the stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.—Hess & Co. and druggists everywhere.

Washington Hocks says he hopes it will never be considered out of date, when a friend is leaving the earth, to accompany him as far as the graveyard.

Frisby Hancock is thinking about installing a corn-sheller in his home to furnish noise while his children go barefooted.



Courtesy C. M. Smith Sons & Co.

Scout Car No. 1, a Buick touring car, of the Mississippi River Scenic Highway System, Port Arthur to Port Arthur Route, en route from Port Arthur and Houston, Texas, and New Orleans to Port William, Port Arthur and Winnipeg, Canada, made an official stop in Skeston Saturday. The car is piloted by Truman Pierson, of Minneapolis, Minn., general manager and founder of this great north and south highway project that means so much to the development of Southeast Missouri and the entire Mississippi Valley. Mr. Pierson last winter drove a car from Winnipeg to New Orleans, Houston, Galveston and Port Arthur, Texas, to prove that the scenic highway is a road that is ready for traffic. He did not cover that portion of the proposed route which has been tentatively located on the highway and extends from Cape Girardeau to Memphis via Skeston, New Madrid and Blytheville, Ark.

While in Skeston Mr. Pierson issued the following statement: "The Mississippi River Scenic Highway System and Port Arthur to Port Arthur route is the greatest agency for the development of this section of Southeast Missouri that can be named. I say this unreservedly and with the knowledge that generally speaking the work this organization has done and is doing has never been thoroughly understood. There are those whose names are familiar to all as community builders and broad visioned citizens who always have been loyal and energetic in their effort but the responsibility of making this route a success rests on the entire community and not on a few individuals. It is not fair to them or to this organization to place the burden on a few and eventually if this organization is to function in Southeast Missouri as it does elsewhere there will have to be a series of unit organizations all the way from St. Louis to the Arkansas line. By this is meant, not county units, but units in every city, town and village that wants on the highway and wants a share of the benefits and its responsibilities.

"Skeston has much to gain from its connection with the Mississippi River Scenic Highway but it also has certain duties to discharge. This is an organization of business men, duly incorporated, administered on business like lines and is delivering the goods. In this locality, however, with all due

respect to everybody, it is still in the paper stage and must be taken out of that stage.

"What is meant by paper stage refers to the Mississippi River Scenic Highway System as an organization functioning under the by-laws as promulgated at Memphis and St. Louis and Burlington, Iowa, and Quincy, Ill. In no sense do we feel that this section has been lax in its effort for road improvement. On the contrary we know and do appreciate the efforts that have been put forth. Fine work has been done and under the able direction of Charles F. McMullin of Skeston progress has certainly been made and in no sense are we criticising anybody.

"The whole point of the matter is that there never has been any idea so far as authorized officials of this organization are concerned to take this route anywhere else than down thru Southeast Missouri and thru Skeston, but we want Cape Girardeau, Skeston, Caruthersville and all the other good towns interested to come forward and organize what can be truly said to be the greatest north and south automobile route.

"A fortune in motor vehicle traffic awaits our cities and towns able enough and aggressive enough to help us get our share of the traffic now flowing north and south over other routes. The golden harvest is reaped along the other great highways none of which are as scenic, none any better and many not as good so far as road conditions go. But what we must do is to tell the outside world what we have. We must use publicity to do this and organization. We must work together and against stiff opposition in certain quarters.

"Road improvement is necessary and is being made at a rapid rate but the mere building of the road is not enough. We must advertise the road and get traffic for it for traffic is what we built it for. We must get traffic for traffic means business, cash rolling into the usual channels of trade. The tourist so called is the forerunner to the settler, the investor and the manufacturer. It has been truly said that our great alluvial section needs nothing but people. Very well, here is the agency to get the people and now is the time to act."

The Scout Car left Saturday forenoon for Cape Girardeau and Canada.

NEW MADRID COUNTY REAL ESTATE SALES

W. A. Shank and wife of New Madrid County to G. O. Jeffries of Dunklin County: Lot 4, block 1 and lot 4 block 2 including all buildings thereon, situated in the town of Tallapoosa, \$1 and other considerations.

W. J. Sneed to W. L. and Marie Denton, George Bullock and J. E. McCord of New Madrid County: All of the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19 and the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19 all in twp. 24, R. 15, New Madrid County. \$1 and exchange of property.

W. H. Stubblefield of Cape Girardeau County to Ernest Wauchope and wife of Pike County, Mo.: All of the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 and the NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 Sec. 34, twp. 23, Range 13 and the NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 and that part of the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 south of the Cotton Belt R. R. right-of-way in Sec. 35, twp. 23, Range 13, all in New Madrid County, containing 147.37 acres. \$1 and exchange of real estate.

William L. Denton and wife to W. J. Sneed and Charlotte Sneed his wife of New Madrid County: A parcel of ground adjoining the right-of-ways of San Francisco R. R. and Southwestern R. R. in the town of Lillbourn. \$800.

William L. Denton and wife to W. J. Sneed and Charlotte Sneed and wife of New Madrid County: Another parcel of ground adjoining the Frisco R. R. right-of-way and Southwestern R. R. right-of-way in the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 Sec. 35, twp. 23, Range 13, New Madrid County. \$700.

W. L. Denton and wife to George and Belle Bullock the undivided 1/2 interest in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19, twp. 24, Range 15 and all the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 Sec. 19, twp. 24, Range 15. \$50 and exchange of property.

Nathaniel Lewis and wife to Martha Miller all of New Madrid County: Lots 1 and 2 in block 32 Cooper's addition to Parma. \$1100.

Martha Miller to G. W. Overfield all of Parma, New Madrid County: All of lots 1 and 2, block 32 in Cooper addition to the City of Parma. \$1100. Mrs. Lillie May McGee et al to Walter H. McGee of New Madrid County: 1/2 acre of ground in SW 1/4 Sec. 32, twp. 24, Range 14, including interest in store building on said lot in Kewanee. \$1.

Marriage License.
None. Nobody loves each other this week.

Dis-graceful Advertisement

We have in our possession an advertising folder, handed to us by a local business man, which has on the top of the first inside page the picture of a man (?) wearing a broad-brimmed black hat. On the opposite page is printed some of the most loathsome and disgusting vulgarity possible to be placed in print, and fit only for the inspection of the vilest inhabitants of the infernal regions. It deals in the most inhuman language of the most loathsome things the human mind can suggest. About the nearest approach it makes to the border land of decency is when it uses this language, "In 1918, my father died, my mother married a nigger." Perhaps that is the reason he took nigger wenches by the arm at the polls at the last general election and pushed them into the polling place ahead of Mrs. William Kelly, Mavis Kelly, Mrs. E. C. Masden and Mrs. H. V. Litzelfelner (in the presence of Henry Morgan). It is a disgrace to this town to permit the distribution about the streets and places of business of such vile and degrading literature, and the stock law should be enforced against cattle that will distribute such. The individual who seeks thus to advertise his business and get acquainted is not a product of Pemiscot County, and we fail to see wherein R. right-of-way and Southwestern R. R. right-of-way in the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 Sec. 35, twp. 23, Range 13, New Madrid County. \$700.

In order to show no favoritism in the enforcement of the law and in the performance of his duty, the Deputy Constable today placed himself under arrest.

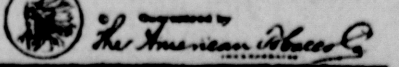
Clab Hancock don't believe any more that music is soothing to the savage, as he sang to his baby the other night for two hours, and it got madder and madder.

The deacons of the Hog Ford church convened at the home of their pastor Monday afternoon and after talking him to sleep, surprised him by repairing the front fence.



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Reapportionment Agreement For House of 460 Members

Washington, July 21.—Reapportionment legislation providing for a House of Representatives of 460 members, as compared with the present membership of 435, was agreed upon last night by the House Census Committee. Chairman Siegel was ordered to report out such a bill as soon as possible.

Under the reapportionment legislation two States, Maine and Missouri, would each lose a member, and 16 States would gain members. Texas would gain two and Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Oklahoma and Washington one each.

The Standard \$2.00 per year.

More lumber is consumed by forest fires annually than is taken up by saw mills.

Germany is using animal muscular fiber in the manufacture of a new artificial silk.

The Postmaster has figured up what business he has done with the postoffice during the past year, and finds that more mail is needed, as he has been able to supply about half of his patrons who called for letters and papers at the general delivery window.

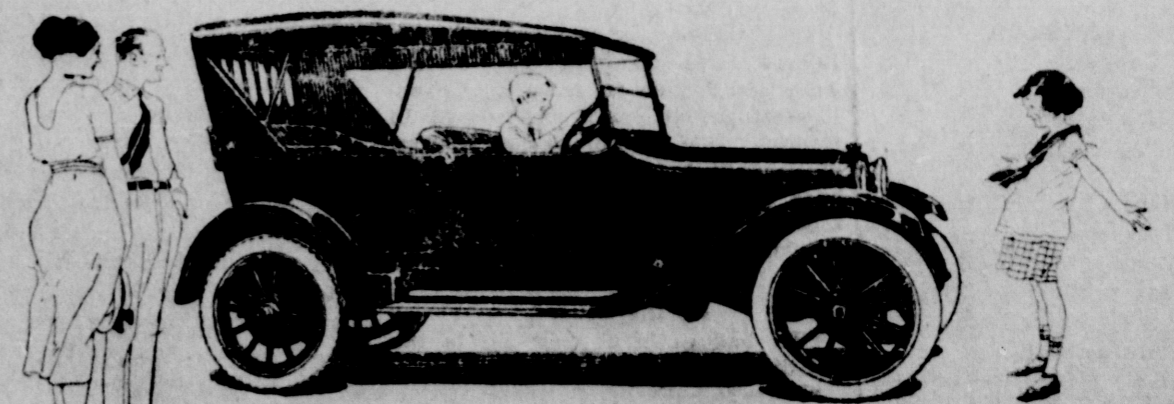
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Its economy is practically expressed in its low gasoline consumption, its high tire mileage, and the infrequency of repairs.

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The tire mileage is unusually high.

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LEGION OFFICER KNOWS NAVY

Edward Spafford, Chairman of Committee on Naval Affairs, Has Climbed the Ladder.



Edward Elwell Spafford, newly appointed chairman of the American Legion's committee on naval affairs, knows the United States navy on land and on sea as few other men do.

Born in Springfield, Vt., Mr. Spafford was educated in the public schools. He received an appointment to the United States

Naval academy in 1901. Assigned to the ship Washington, he became gunnery officer; at that time he was the youngest officer in the navy to hold this position.

While the Washington was lying off Cape Hatteras a sailor was washed overboard in a heavy sea. Risking his life in the waves, Mr. Spafford plunged overboard and succeeded in rescuing the seaman. His bravery was recognized in a letter of commendation from the secretary of the navy. He rose to the rank of lieutenant commander.

In 1914 Mr. Spafford resigned from the navy to study law at Columbia university.

With the start of the war Mr. Spafford offered his services to his country and he was made a lieutenant commander in the navy reserve corps. He served for a time as a member of the board of inspection and survey, which was in charge of the selection of ships to be purchased by the government. He directed the fitting out of the first 25 110-foot submarine chasers built for distance service and established a submarine chaser base at New London, Conn.

When the American navy became active in the Straits of Otranto, Mr. Spafford was sent to establish a submarine chaser base at Corfu, Greece, and later became chief of staff of that station. He was in charge of all operations and was on the first American submarine chaser which destroyed an enemy ship after locating it by the process of sound contact.

When the Austrians surrendered two battleships and two destroyers to the United States, Lieutenant Commander Spafford took them over. Later, he investigated the situation along the Dalmatian coast and made a special report on Fiume to the American peace delegation at Paris. He received the Distinguished Service Medal.

Mr. Spafford is a member of Manhattan naval post of the American Legion in New York city.

SAYS NO MAN HER SUPERIOR

Bright-Eyed Sergeant and Vice Commander of Post Bluffed Mr. Silver-Eagles.

Who else but a bright-eyed, smiling American girl could have gotten away with it?

Sergeant Minnie Arthur of the United States marine corps was on duty in a recruiting office in Indianapolis, Ind., during the war. The major in charge was nervous; a colonel from Washington was coming to inspect; everyone brushed up on rules of military conduct. In walked the austere colonel, Sergeant Arthur remained working at her desk. Silver-eagles walked over to her desk and frowned.

"Um—ever get up when an officer comes in the room, sergeant?" he growled.

"Yes, sir, sometimes," Miss Three Stripes replied.

"Um—and I suppose you salute your superiors, too, eh?"

Sergeant Arthur smiled sweetly—and then her eyes snapped.

"Sir, I've never seen a man yet who was my superior!"

And the colonel passed it off without a reprimand.

Miss Arthur, now vice-commander of Robert E. Kennington post of the American Legion in Indianapolis, enlisted for four years and served 18 months. She is still in the reserve, drawing \$1 a month with which she buys hair nets. She is authority on Librarian golf and plays a good hand at "blackjack."

On the Square.

"We had quite a game up to the boarding house last night."

"Poker?"

"No. The landlady was going to lick one of the boys for not paying his board. I tried to check her, she jumped me, crowned him and told us both to move."

"Did you do it?"

"Chess."—American Legion Weekly.

Lair Company Music Store Will Be Moved August 1st

Owing to the strained condition of the buying public we have decided, as a measure of business safety, to retrench in overhead expense by moving the stock in our Sikeston Music Store back to the parent store in Charleston. This move will be made in time to vacate the building we occupy by August 1st.

Those who owe us past due accounts are requested to make arrangement to square up before that date. Those who owe us deferred payments will please remit to Charleston as payments mature.

We have on hand here a good stock of high grade pianos, player pianos and phonographs. A number of them have been slightly used but are in good serviceable condition. Rather than go to the trouble and expense of packing and draying them to Charleston, we are willing to take a good deal less than the regular price. If all cash is not available, we will be glad to extend business-like terms to anyone worthy of credit.

In closing our Sikeston place, we desire to thank everyone who has helped us in our efforts to place good music in Scott County homes—and there are hundreds who have helped us. We have not lost faith in the future of the music business in Southeast Missouri at all, but are simply drawing in our lines until people in general get on their feet again.

In the meantime we are in good shape in Charleston to serve anyone who wants a good musical instrument, whether it is a Chickering Piano or an Edison Phonograph and will exert ourselves to please our Scott County patrons. Mr. V. E. Williams, who opened up the Sikeston store, will remain with us in Charleston.

The Lair Company

The Iron Mask

By Rev. Thos. B. Gregory

Two hundred and eighteen years ago, the King of Terrors, stealing into the grim old Bastille, seized and bore away with him into the Silent Land the mysterious personage known in history as "The Man in the Iron Mask."

Who this strange person was has never been fully ascertained.

In many quarters of the world, and for more than two centuries, investigators have been on tip-toe watching for some clue to the identity of the man whose face was for such a long time hidden behind that mask; but up to date the question is one of the world's unsolved riddles.

Regarding the identity of the Man in the Iron Mask all sorts of conclusions have been drawn, among which may be mentioned the following:

That he was an Armenian Patriarch, or Bishop, taken from Constantinople and for some reason unknown to us incarcerated in the Bastille; that he was the Duc de Vermandois, son of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was James, Duke of Monmouth, the English Pretender; that he was the twin brother of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was Mattiali, Secretary of State to Charles the Third; that he was Faucquet, an eminent statesman of the time of Louis the Fourteenth; that he was a son of Faucquet, and that he was a son of Cromwell.

These, however, are merely conjectures, on which no particular dependence can be placed. The light from them is so dim that nothing definite can be reached.

The register of the chief turn-key of the Bastille has been preserved, and in it is found this account of the mysterious prisoner:

"On Thursday, the 18th of September, 1698, the governor, M. Saint Mars, arrived at the Bastille for the first time from the Island of Sanit Marguerite and Sanit Honnai. He brought with him in his own carriage an ancient prisoner, formerly under his supervision at Pignerol, and whose name remains untold. The prisoner was always kept masked, and was lodged in the Basiniere tower."

All that can be logically inferred from this note from the register is this—that the captive was a man of

distinction and that it was necessary that he should not escape and that his identity should be carefully hidden, not only from the general public, but even from the turnkey and his assistants in the prison.

So much is shown by the fact that M. Saint Mars, the governor of the Bastille, personally took charge of the prisoner, remained with him while he was taking his meals, and invariably made the captive sit, while eating, with his back toward the window that opened on the court; the governor, the meanwhile, having a brace of pistols within easy reach.

The great Voltaire, who solved so many riddles, resolutely set himself to the task of explaining away that of the Iron Mask; but for once the sharp-eyed Frenchman was check-mated.

Others have labored most assiduously to unravel the mystery, but without success; and the chances are that that away down through the ages to come people will keep on asking the old, old question: "Who was the Man in the Iron Mask?"

By the by, did you ever stop to think that each one of us is the Man in the Iron Mask?

The world is the Bastille, and the mystery of our existence in it is the mask, which keeps us from knowing not only those about us but even our very selves.

"Who AM I?" is the question that we have been asking ourselves ever since we were old enough to think and reason, and no answer has ever been forthcoming.

I am as great a mystery to myself as the Man in the Iron Mask was to his fellow-prisoners in the Bastille.

It is just possible that in this fact is to be found the explanation of the deep and lasting interest that we feel in the stranger who lived and suffered for so long behind that mask in the gloomy prison by the Seine.

Mrs. Sarah Davis of Advance visited her sister, Mrs. J. C. Lescher, the last of the week.

J. H. Bruce and Miss Gladys Caldwell were married in Judge Lescher's office Saturday evening, the ceremony being performed by the Judge. Miss Lillian Reed, J. T. Bruce and M. E. Bruce were witnesses. The young couple left for Kentucky where they will spend their honeymoon.

The American Creed.

On the walls of one of the historic rooms of the Capitol at Washington there is a bronze tablet on which is embossed "The American's Creed." This tablet attracted wide attention because its author, William Tyler Page, won a \$1000 prize in a nationwide competition for the best patriotic "creed."

Preserved in imperishable bronze this bit of literature, which contains just one hundred words, promises to become a classic ranking with Lincoln's famous Gettysburg address. A rather remarkable fact is that none of the wording is original with the author. Instead he has made it a comprehensive composite of the best phrases found in American patriotic literature. The list of great American documents and orations from which phrases and sentences were skillfully taken to make up the text of the tablet include the Declaration of Independence, preamble to the Constitution, the oath of allegiance, Washington's farewell address, the national anthem, etc.

The room in which the bronze tablet reposes is the one in which John Quincy Adams died, and which now serves as office of the clerk of House of Representatives.

I believe in the United States of America as a government of the people by the people for the people—Whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed—A democracy in a republic—A sovereign nation of many sovereign states—A perfect union one and inseparable—Established upon those principles of Freedom, Equality, Justice and Humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

Therefore believe it is my duty to my country to love it—To support its Constitution—To obey its laws—To respect its flag—And to defend it against all enemies.

Cecil Reed and wife of Oran visited homefolks here Sunday.

A. I. Foard, from St. Louis was in Sikeston Saturday looking after the display that was shipped to St. Louis.

Mrs. T. E. Duffy and children of East St. Louis, are spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Ed Kendall, near Kewanee.

IS BUSY LEGION ORGANIZER

Vice Commander of Body in New York Perfects One of the Most Powerful Units.

Believing that the county organization is a vital part of the American Legion, William F. Deegan, first vice commander of the Legion in New York, has perfected one of the most powerful Legion units in the country.

Among the accomplishments of the Bronx county organization is the placing of bronze plaques on 950 trees as a memorial to the World war dead; employment provided for hundreds of ex-service men by the employment committee, and relief to sick and wounded veterans in New York city hospitals from the Legion's welfare committee.

Mr. Deegan, when asked to give some of his working principles, said: "I insist upon every post being represented at a county meeting held once a month. I visit every post at least once or twice a month and for the benefit of Legionnaires have arranged for a legal committee to take up the principal troubles of the boys, without cost. I find that Legion men have absolute confidence in their officers, provided they know that they do not seek political office at their expense. To that end I make every effort to keep the organization free from men whose appointive offices.

Personal contact with your post is absolutely necessary—telling them what is going on, listening to complaints and abolishing wherever possible parliamentary procedure, because delegates oftentimes will come to meetings and fear to speak on a subject which is vital to the interests of the organization, because they do not know whether they are in order."

During the war Mr. Deegan was attached to the staff of Gen. George W. Goethals and was assigned to inspect the army bases along the Atlantic coast and inland army depots. He was discharged a major in 1919.

LEGION MAN ON LONG HIKE

Sergeant Sylvester of Indiana Is Scheduled to Walk 737 Miles to Boost Training Camps.

Former doughboys will reflect long upon the sad case of Sergt. Harley C. Sylvester, who likes the walking branch of the service so well that he voluntarily agreed to hike an average of 18 1/2 miles a day for 40 days to tell the peaceful citizenry why they should learn to fight.

When officials of Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., looked about for the representative type of American soldier to advertise the citizens' military training camps to be held during the summer, they found Sergeant Sylvester, overseas veteran and member of the American Legion at the military post, still in the service.

Sergeant Sylvester is scheduled to cover 737 miles during the 40 days. He is visiting towns and cities in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky. He carries light marching equipment and is the guest of his buddies in the Legion posts along the dusty route.

The American Legion will assist in obtaining recruits for the citizens' military training camps, according to a resolution adopted by the military policy committee of the ex-service men's organization.

TRANSFERS PAY TO LEGION

Permanently Disabled Yank, Propped Up in Bed, Signs Over Bonus Check to Post.

A striking example of the gratitude of the nation's disabled veterans for those who have aided them in their hours of suffering, has come to the attention of Lee C. Prentice post of the American Legion in Fairmount, Minn.

Cletus Lappin, a young soldier severely wounded on the battlefields of France and

now in hospital, rated totally and permanently disabled, received a check in payment for the state bonus while taking treatment in a sanitarium at Fairmount.

Asking to be propped up in bed, Lappin indorsed the slip, good for several hundred dollars, to the Prentice post of the Legion. "When I needed help," said the boy who had given the best of his life to his country, "the Legion boys stood by me. Now I'm going to do my little bit to help them get those clubrooms they are after."

Where Ignorance is Bliss.

"If you read more you would know more."

"Yes, and miss all the sensational cases by getting rejected for jury duty."—American Legion Weekly.

Why More Women Suffer From Cancer Than Men

Since 1864 the cancer death rate has been growing at an alarming rate in England and Wales. In that year the ratio of deaths per million of population was 385; in 1917 this ratio had grown to 1210. A similar increase is shown in every other civilized country which keeps a record of such matters. Usually figures indicate that the inroads of the disease are less serious than they actually are, because cases of internal cancer are often responsible for the death of patients.

Aroused by the rapid spread of the disease and the growing mortality therefrom, British medical authorities have undertaken a comprehensive study of the situation and are considering ways and means for its improvement. Contrary to what is generally understood, they say, medical men have long recognized the immediate causes of cancerous growths. Cancer is not a single malady but a host of maladies; 10 primary and at least 20 secondary kinds have been recognized. Each case has its own distinct rise.

Women suffer from cancer more frequently than men, although the latter are by no means immune. The special causes held to be responsible for the disease in women are aggravated by trouble, worry, anxiety and the wear and tear of living. The alarming increase of the disease in the past two or three generations, say cancer experts, results largely from the annually augmented wear and tear incident to increasing civilization from which few, under present conditions, can escape.

No diminution of this wear and tear, this strain of civilization, can be expected until conditions of life become far more easy and simple than they are now. Nevertheless, as a writer in The Pathfinder points out, a great deal can be done to prevent cancer and check its terrifying increase. "One important means to that end," says this writer, "would be greater equanimity and cheerfulness among women. Another factor of the greatest importance is to keep the body normally healthy and strong by rationally conforming to the general laws of health which are in no small measure individual and which vary more or less in different persons. Cancer in men is usually traceable to some infraction of nature's laws, such as over indulgence in alcoholic beverages, intemperance in eating, etc."

"The only real cure now known for a genuine cancer is the surgeon's knife or some form of cauterization, it is declared. In some instances nature seems to hold the growth in check. Proper treatment with drugs in such cases may help nature along in this beneficial work."

"Ordinarily an operation can be counted on to cure the disease and prolong the patient's life indefinitely if the cause of the trouble is recognized in time and the operation is performed before the disease has developed too far. Cancer tends to spread from the point where the growth begins to other tissues and to organs which the surgeon dares not tamper with. Most failures of operations are due to the fact that the cancer has developed beyond the initial stage and the infection has spread to other parts of the body before the patient submits to such treatment."

The Standard \$2.00 per year.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kendall and babe were Sikeston visitors Friday.

Ed Reed of Terra Haute, Ind., is visiting the family of Dan Reed.

At dinner the King of England's personal attendant waits on no one else.

Hand spinning wheels are still made in London for export to the Far East.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cresap of Gideon visited at the home of Judge and Mrs. Lescher, Sunday.

Fred P. Houder of Louisiana, Mo., is in Sikeston looking after some loans that he is making here.

The far-sighted farmer of today does not risk too many chances in "one basket," and that a corn crop basket. Growing some alfalfa on every farm is a sound and sensible farm gospel.

The following motored to Burton's Bridge Sunday afternoon, took their supper and enjoyed the bathing: Misses Margaret Shanks, Vera Walpole, Mayme Marshall, Burnice Tanner, Emma Wilson, Gretchen Dunaway, Gladys Kendall, Helen Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lindley, Miss Leita Lindley Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Slack, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Applegate, and Messrs. James Kevil, Dave Kevil, Dr. Anthony, Buskin McCoy, Jube Barrett, Tom Russell, Chris Francis, Dr. McClure and Miss Marguerite O'Connell of Sedalia.